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MINUTES

FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 15, 1928.

THE Forty-fifth Annual Convention of the Women's General Missionary Society met in opening session in the First United Presbyterian Church of Buffalo, New York, on Friday Evening, June 15, with Mrs. Leslie Mountford, First Vice President, in the chair. She introduced the devotional service of the hour by quoting the reference, "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and sing praises unto His name." The missionary Psalm, the 22nd, was sung heartily.

The ends of all the earth shall hear
And turn unto the Lord in fear
All kindreds of the earth shall own
And worship him as God alone.

Mrs. Jeannette C. Alter offered the invocation.

Mrs. Mountford read from John 21, the story of the fishermen in which Jesus asked the searching question, "Lovest thou me?"

After an anthem by the quartet, Mayor Frank X. Schwab of Buffalo was presented to the delegates and greeted them in the name of the Convention City. The golden key of the city was given to the President of the Board of Directors. The guests were assured of hospitable welcome and congratulated upon the world-wide service they are rendering.

Mrs. J. D. Sands, President of the Women's Board, in responding to this greeting acknowledged the kindness of the entertaining presbyterial with special reference to the entertaining city. She said that it is nineteen years since the Convention has been held in Buffalo, and noted in some detail the growth of our churches here, of the new generation that now directs the activities of our organization, of the tragic World War that has taken place, with the consequent changes in the European map. Mrs. Sands dwelt upon the fact that living conditions are different from those of nineteen years ago; a new freedom has come to our youth; national prohibition has come; modern inventions have brought the ends of the earth in

close touch with each other. A comparison in the *giving* of nineteen years ago shows gain; *membership in our societies* has increased; our *departments of work have* been enlarged; our *missionary* forces have more than doubled. With gratitude for the past, appreciation of the present, the speaker urged our younger and stronger women to take up the responsibilities of the work as fast as the senior workers lay them down.

The delegates united in singing the Convention song from the 145th Psalm:

Thy mighty power and greatness
Shall all mankind confess,
And tell the story of Thy love
And sing Thy righteousness.

The President, Mrs. R. Francis Hall, was introduced, and after a brief prayer delivered the annual address on the topic, "Lovest thou me?"

She said in part, "It was not Peter's love which was to be manifest, but the love of Christ in Peter, His love overflowing into Peter's soul and manifesting itself thus to the world. It is not with the love of our little hearts but with Christ's great love shed abroad in us by the Holy Spirit that we are to love Him and others . . Through it we love not a particular race, color, creed, or character, but all men and all kinds everywhere. . . . And Peter became a living witness for his Lord. His answer to that searching question "Lovest thou me?" was Pentecost and a life offered up for Jesus. . . . "Lovest thou me?"—Stephen answered that call with his life, a joyous martyr, a witness before one who was to become one of the Master's greatest lovers, Paul the missionary. In Scotland, John Knox heard the Master's voice "Lovest thou me?" He answered with the Reformation which contained his very life blood. "Lovest thou me?" The Moravian Church listened to that pleading call, and thereupon began in a symphony of prayer, the pioneer work of a missionary movement in the Church of Christ. Seventy years ago, the devout leaders of two denominations heard that loving voice, and their answer was a union in prayer and power. Since that sacred day "The truth of God and forbearance in love" has been indeed the watchword of the United Presbyterian Church in America. . . . "Lovest thou me?" called the Master to a group of faithful women with their devoted pastor leader; and on their knees they prayed into being the Women's General Missionary Society, blessed of God in America and over all the world. "Lovest thou me?" An invalid mother heard that call and forty years ago inspired the women of the United Presbyterian Church and afterwards those of other evangelical groups to the recognition of the second mile of blessing expressed in the annual Thank-Offering. . . . "Lovest thou me?" Fathers and mothers heard that entreating voice and gave their hearts' treasures for Christ's work anywhere He should choose to send them. Those who had no one to send gave freely of their money and prayers in answer to the Master's call. And what shall we say of the response of the sons and daughters of our church? Consecrated young men and women in answer to Christ's appeal, "Lovest thou me?" laid their all on His altar, seeing

Jesus only, loving him supremely, journeyed East or West, North or South, across mountains, over seas, by way of river, lake or desert,—all for the love of Christ. Theirs has been the privilege to suffer sickness, loneliness, infirmity, separation, the martyr's joy, the missionary's triumph. . . . Out in the pestilential swamps of the Sudan, in plague stricken India, in disquieted Egypt, and sometimes in untaught Ethiopia are written the stories of white and dark-skinned witnesses whose blood has been poured out in Jesus' name that the souls of those he sought might be brought home to Him. And in the annals of our home-land we find noble lives possessed with the same loving spirit, offered up for Jesus' sake in mountains, on prairie, in city and on plain, in the work for the Indians, among our colored brothers, and with those of alien race."

"O for a passionate passion for souls!
O for compassion that yearns!
O for the love that loves unto death,
O for the fire that burns!
O for the power that prevails,
That pours out itself for the lost,
Victorious power in the Conqueror's name
The Lord of Pentecost."

This earnest appeal was further strengthened by a lovely rendition of Psalm 95 by the quartet.

O come and hear His voice today
And harden not your heart.

A series of introductions followed.

The President introduced Mrs. Hugh Robertson, Chairman of the Local Committee, who in turn presented her corps of assistants. Mrs. J. D. Sands introduced the members of the Board of Directors. The Home Missionaries were presented by their respective Departmental Secretaries. The Foreign Missionaries by Mrs. J. B. Hill. Mrs. Fannie F. Moore, Treasurer of the *Womens Missionary Magazine*, by the President.

The Secretary was instructed by the Convention to send telegrams of love and sympathy to Mrs. O. H. Milligan and Mrs. H. C. Campbell, both of whom were prevented by illness from attending this meeting.

Mrs. J. E. Pugh, Chairman of the Credential Committee, urged delegates to enroll as soon as possible.

After prayer and the benediction by Rev. Thomas H. Newcomb, the session adjourned to meet at 9 a. m. June 16.

A delightful social hour followed.

SATURDAY, JUNE 16, 8 A. M.

Mrs. R. E. Ayers, India, led morning prayer. She spoke briefly of the love of God and thus laid upon His followers the necessity of loving and giving as he expects of us. Miss Anna Milligan closed the service with prayer.

The Minutes of the Friday evening session were read and approved.

After minor changes requested by the President, the program as printed was adopted by the Convention.

The President announced the Credential Committee as follows:

Chairman—Mrs. J. E. Pugh
Mrs. J. H. Buckley
Mrs. G. M. McKnight
Mrs. John Johnson.

Mrs. Pugh made an incomplete report of the enrollment. There were 158 voting members enrolled. The Secretary called the roll in accordance with this report.

The President appointed Convention Committees as follows:

Recommendations

Chairman—Miss Mary Blair, Colorado,
Mrs. J. H. Miller, Cleveland,
Miss Grace Wiley, Indiana Northern,
Mrs. S. P. Montgomery, Kiskiminetas.

Resolutions

Chairman—Mrs. Walter Speer, Rock Island,
Mrs. Alice Giffen, Vermont,
Mrs. Bert Higgins, Idaho,
Mrs. E. V. Butts, Tennessee.

Nominations

Chairman—Mrs. Caroline Frick, New York,
Mrs. B. E. Cole, Lake,
Mrs. J. G. Kennedy, Los Angeles,

Tellers

Chairman—Mrs. Arch M. Neale, Mansfield,
Miss Harriet Esdon, Concordia.
Mrs. T. J. Miller, Monongahela.

Place

Chairman—Mrs. R. W. Mansfield, Detroit,
Mrs. D. R. Campbell, Spokane,
Mrs. Mabel Crawford, College Springs.

The next order of business was that of the secretarial reports.

Miss Jennie B. Wallace, Recording Secretary of the Board of Directors, offered her annual report which was adopted, with the exception of the paragraph relating to the change of time of the annual meeting, which must come before this body.

ITEMS FROM THE REPORT

The Board was represented at the meeting of the General Assembly, the Sterling, Muskingum and Eastern summer conferences, and at several interdenominational gatherings, including those of the Council of Women for Home Missions, The Federation of Women's Boards of Foreign Missions in North America and the Foreign Missions Council, The Student Volunteer Conference at Detroit, and the Washington Conference on the Cause and Cure of War. For the last named, several women of the Wallace Memorial Church of Washington were asked to represent the Board of Directors, which they did most acceptably.

The Home, Freedmen's and Indian Missions have been visited during the year by the secretaries of their departments, each accompanied by another member. The Board granted permission for the Annual Reports to be published in the August issue of the *Womens Missionary Magazine.*

A recent action of the Board is one recommending that hereafter the Annual Convention be held in May.

Mrs. R. E. English, Statistical Secretary made her annual report which was adopted.

Some Figures

Net gain in membership in our societies in America	841
Net gain in India	190
Net gain in Egypt	922
Total net gain	1953

In accordance with the usual custom, all missionaries present, Home and Foreign, were given the privileges of the Convention.

The report of Mrs. J. B. Hill, Treasurer, audited and certified to, was read and adopted by a rising vote.

Outstanding Points

Balance on Hand, April 15, 1927	$161,123.00
Receipts:	
Year ending April 15, 1928	521,555.06
Total April 15, 1928	$682,678.06
Disbursements:	
Year ending April 15, 1928	524,910.04
Cash balance on hand April 15, 1928	$157,768.02

The above statement includes in the

receipts the amount of the Thank-Offering for 1926.

The report of the Financial Secretary, together with the statement of the Auditor, was made by Mrs. J. D. Sands, and adopted. She explained the difference between money contributed for distinctively missionary purposes, and money applied to administration expenses. This report covers the latter items only.

Items in Upkeep Money

Balance on hand, May 1, 1927	$ 2,294.48
Receipts for year ending April 15, 1928	14,350.06
Total for year ending April 15, 1928	$16,644.54
Disbursements for year ending April 15, 1928	$15,005.23
Balance on hand April 15, 1928	$ 1,639.31

The auditor's report having been read, Mrs. W. P. Wiegering submitted her annual report. In addition to the routine usage of parsonage money, it was noted that a permanent investment had been made of a ladies' sanitarium in Sinkat, Sudan, cost $13,-535.00. Adopted.

The order of the day was Messages from our Home Fields. Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson, Secretary of the Freedmen's Department, presented Mrs. C. S. Simpson of Miller's Ferry, Alabama, who brought greetings to the women from her field. Miss Harriet Esdon, delegate from Concordia presbyterial, and a worker at Chase City, Virginia, expressed her gratification at being present at this meeting.

Mrs. Wm. S. Cook, Secretary of the Home Department, introduced Mrs. Anthony Caliandro, missionary to the Italians in West New York, who spoke of our relation to the immigrants, especially the immigrants from Southern Europe. Most of these are dissatisfied with the ideals and the habits of their own home land, and are accessible to our influence. The Italians are a very religious people, but they do not know Christianity. Since the World War, those who had expected to return to their native land now intend to stay here. Four millions of these Italians are now here. They own their homes, their businesses, their farms. They are largely materialistic, because up to the present time, others have done their religious thinking for them. No agency but the Christian Protestant Church is prepared to give them Christ, and Christ is the only One that will break down the bars of prejudice.

Mrs. Jeannette C. Alter, who has been Presbyterial Missionary in Oklahoma, emphasized the need of training leaders. She feels that much of the effort made by the missionary fails of permanent value unless leadership is developed to assume responsibility when the missionary is transferred. Mrs. Alter made an earnest appeal for a worker at Oklahoma City as she regards this field as one of the great opportunities for our organization.

Mrs. H. M. Brittain, missionary from Ezel, Kentucky, and delegate from Ohio First Presbyterial spoke feelingly of the fine spirit of the Mountain People and the need for more organized effort among them. A seventeen-year old girl has been superintendent of a Sabbath school, and has done very well. Weaving, originally an art of the Mountain

women and almost lost, is being restored by the efforts of the missionary. The exhibit at this meeting of linen weaving, rugs, and other articles shows the progress that has been made.

Rev. H. Ray Shear of Frenchburg, Kentucky, referred to the basketry on exhibit made by the people of Menifee County, Kentucky. This craft has been carried down by succeeding generations, and is recognized as an art. The basket makers have the simplest of tools with which to work, and the baskets are firm and enduring. Mr. Shear referred to the "Frenchburg Reporter", a little sheet which is the organ of the work among our Mountain People. Its subscription price is 50 cents a year.

Miss Kate Gladden, Missionary of the First Italian Church, Pittsburgh, and Mrs. Maude Morrison were invited to give the Convention a word of greeting. Miss Gladden said humorously that her field, composed of Italians, Syrians, as well as other nationalities, usually occupies the front page of the daily paper. But that they are not so bad as pictured. She believes that the children should not be segregated from our American children, because purer Americanism may be inculcated by removal of the race and color line. Miss Gladden says the prayer life is wonderful among the Italian converts. The work among the Syrians has been especially successful. It is sad, however, that while the *children* are welcomed into the churches, there is no place of worship for the adults. Some of the young people may be said to attend services on Sabbath *intensively*. One such went to *six* for a long period of time without missing a day. The story of a Spanish woman and her sacrificial Thank-Offering was touching.

Mrs. Maude Morrison brought greetings from her field in Westland, Pa. She plead for prayer and help for the stranger within our gates.

Prayer was offered by Mrs. Sands for the work in our own land as presented during this "Home Mission forty-five minutes."

Mrs. Alice McClure Borton, Moorstown, New Jersey, conducted the Hour of Meditation and Prayer. She told the women that Mrs. Mary Samuel the native from India who so wonderfully contributed spiritual strength to the meeting of 1927, is telling her people at home how the women in America are sacrificing for them and other foreign mission fields.

Reading verses from the First Epistle of John, Mrs. Borton dwelt upon the fact of sin and the cleansing power of the blood of Jesus Christ. She said there is too much recrimination between Christians of differing opinions and not enough centering of our hearts on Christ. Too few are ready to tell what Christ is to us. She spoke of the longing of young people to be free from sin, and of the desire to know *certainly* that Christ has power to break the chains of sin with which they are bound. They are hungry for victory, and it is the testimony of those who have won this victory that encourages our youth. If we will only believe that "We are a new creation in Christ Jesus" walking in newness of life, our doubts will vanish. We cannot understand,

but it is the Word of God and is not to be minimized. To accept this, to confess sin, to lay aside weights, to yield to the Spirit of God, is to live a lovely radiant life.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 16

The devotional service was conducted by Mrs. M. C. McFeeters, Assiut, Egypt. She gave a brief study of faith and prayer. She said that the right of testing God's promise to answer prayer should be recognized. The approach of a little child was that approved of God. Instances of answered prayer in small matters as well as great were told by the leader. She said that God always answers prayer: sometimes "Yes"; sometimes, "No", sometimes, "Wait awhile". The service was closed with prayer by Miss Margaret Smith.

MARGARET SMITH
on furlough
Garnet, Kansas

The auditor's statement having been read, Mrs. Fannie Moore, Treasurer of the Missionary Magazine presented her report. The net balance March 31, 1927 was $2,596.-20; receipts for the year, $13,299.56; disbursements, $12,923.21, leaving a cash balance of $2,972.55.

Mrs. Limberg sang a solo, accompanied by Miss Bickerstaff.

The Annual Report of the Magazine was presented by Mrs. John P. White, and together with the report of the Treasurer, adopted.

IMPORTANT POINTS

The Fortieth Anniversary of the Magazine has been celebrated during the year by societies. It is the constant aim of the editor to give the readers of the Magazine full information concerning the work of the General Society. She hopes constantly for greatly increased circulation. Definite plans have been made for the completion of the Mrs. George Moore Memorial Fund. At Mrs. White's request the Convention sang an original poem by J. B. Leemon, Washington, D. C. to the air "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp, etc." A "vision" vividly told by Mrs. White portrayed ninety thousand women and all the young women and children of our Church enlisted in the work of world evangelization, because the Missionary and Junior Magazines were sent into every home to inform and educate their readers.

Mrs. W. R. McMunn made the financial report of the Junior Magazine and the Mrs. N. Wiley Stevenson Fund. Adopted.

Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen gave the Annual Report of the Junior Missionary Magazine which was adopted. She gave as the aim of the Magazine to "inspire and cultivate in the children of our Church a desire to help the neglected children of the world, especially in the mission fields,—spiritually, mentally, physically. The circulation of the Junior Missionary Magazine is slowly reaching its goal

—a magazine in every United Presbyterian Home where there are any Juniors.

In the absence of the Foreign Secretary, her report was read by Mrs. J. B. Hill. The total number of missionaries cared for during the past year are 71 in India, 54 in Egypt, 12 in the Sudan and 7 in Abyssinia, making a total of 144. This includes those on the field and those at home on furlough. The estimate granted for India for the ensuing year amounts to $101,713.68, as compared with $97,042.00 last year. The estimate for Egypt for the coming year amounts to $86,004.50 as compared with $86,195.50 for last year. Sudan has been granted $24,977.00; last year Sudan received $20,345.00. Abyssinia is to receive this coming year $13,479.00; last year the estimate was $14,460.00.

The foregoing estimates do not include outfit money, travelling expenses, or salaries for new missionaries who go out in 1928. An agreement has been reached with the Foreign Board that the first term is to be six winters in Egypt and India, and all succeeding terms for women missionaries are to be seven winters, as that is long enough in an Oriental climate. The length of term of service in the Sudan and Abyssinia is still four and one-half years.

In the adopting of this report there was the specific addition of thanks to Mrs. H. C. Campbell for preparing so complete a statement and to Mrs. J. B. Hill for presenting it to the convention.

The report of the Home Department was made by Mrs. William S. Cook, and adopted.

This department has supported during the year, six workers among the Aliens; three City Missionaries, five workers in Presbyteries, and the entire work in our two missions for the Mountain People in Kentucky.

The work accomplished in these fields shows progress and encouragement.

The work of the Freedmen's Department was brought to the Convention by Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson.

The Freedmen's Secretary said that there has been no radical change during the year either in the line of work or the method of carrying on. The schools have had one of their best years in point of numbers, earnestness of purpose, and the number of those who have been converted and united with the Church.

Mrs. Wilson also at this time presented briefly the report of the Isaiah 41:6 Fund, which was adopted. Mrs. Jeannette C. Alter, to whom goes the credit for the establishing of this Fund was invited to the platform. $5000.00 had accrued from this fund since its inception and it was decided that all the missionaries, Home and Foreign, who are in this country should be brought to the annual Convention with this money, as long as it fulfilled the purpose for which it was intended.

Mrs. J. French Kerr submitted the annual report on the Indian work, which was adopted. A letter from Rev. W. A. Matthews in Simnasho, Ore., was read, containing the story of his withdrawal from this field and of the necessity of going back to the Indians, which had been so borne in upon him that he resigned a congenial

pastorate in Glencullen, Oregon, and returned to the desolated mission where neglected but devoted Indians awaited him.

Rev. R. G. Smith of Tama, Iowa, reported a good year, with twelve conversions. Rev. R. H. Barr, Warm Spring, Oregon, is making a special effort to place Bibles in the homes of the Indians, with a follow-up reading plan.

The financial statement of this department was presented.

Mrs. John Ferguson, President of the Women's Council of Home Missions, addressed the Convention on this topic, "The Home Mission Watch Tower". She referred to the Mayflower "Compact", containing little more than 120 words, in which the name of God appears four times. In contrast, the Treaty of Versailles, important as it was, and having 30,000 words in it, did not contain the name of God once. A rapid review of the history of the Atlantic Seaboard pioneer religious activities was followed by the history of the extension of the frontier by courageous missionaries until the Pacific Coast called to the Atlantic as "deep calleth unto deep". The speaker regards the study of wars in our history books in school as far less worth while than the study of home missions in our own country. Foreign shores naturally find their place at once, and no education is complete unless world missions are known. The greatest leaders in our early history had as their objective the establishment of Christianity.

On Mrs. Ferguson's recent tour in South America, she was asked two questions by reporters in all cities of any size. First: what are you doing in the United States with the 18th Amendment? Second: How will you solve your race problem? A careful investigation of the reports of bankers' associations, insurance companies and medical institutions proved to her that the Eighteenth Amendment is winning out; and so she answered the reporters. The solution of the race problem is coming through the fact that we are marching on under the banner of the Lord. Channing Tobias says that we raise the barrier in the face of the one thing for which the negro is not responsible—the color line. The platform of the Lord Jesus Christ is the only solution. Right attitudes must exist before much can be attained.

In the case of the American Indian, Mrs. Ferguson feels that the Government Indian Schools lack religious instruction, although they invite such instruction on the part of the Churches. A fewer number of students are found in our Church Indian Schools.

The migrating people—thousands of them—have no home unless it be a five-passenger Ford car. Many privations and appalling living conditions exist in these migrating groups. There should be workers kept among these transient peoples, making some solution for the crime wave which in some measure comes from such sources.

The lumber camps offer another needy field for Christian effort. Literature, especially the Bible is being placed in these camps. The I. W. W's. are busy, and it is of first

importance that counteracting influences should be set in motion.

The Foreigners in our land are found in our manufacturing industries, providing for us every need of our complex life. There are also professors and instructors in our great colleges,—often predominating in great numbers,—that are foreign born. A very large percentage of the lawyers in New York City is from the foreign born group. Thousands of students from all lands are here, challenging our help and encouragement.

In the past ten years, $54,537,092 has been returned by the United Presbyterian Church to the Master's treasury. During these ten years in our church at home and in our mission fields, there have been 94,699 received on profession of faith, and 81,517 by letter,—a total of 176,216.

Great things have been wrought in our denomination because we have stood firmly for the Word of God. Our church has made the greatest contribution of any denomination in the singing of Psalms. Since we now have a Psalter containing 150 hymns, would it not be a wonderful thing if all other denominations would put into their books 150 Psalms? This address from Mrs. Ferguson was listened to with the closest attention, and received with hearty applause.

Mrs. Alice McClure Borton took charge of the hour of Meditation and Prayer. Her theme, based upon Rev. 1st Chapter, was that of a living Christ. She thinks that there is a lack of realization that Christ is a living Christ, and believes that we ought to think of Him as such. We need to understand that the Word of God is true when it says that "Christ will come in and make His home with us"—(Weymouth Translation).

In a series of questions the leader brought out the following titles of the Christ:

"Wonderful Counsellor".
"The Mighty God".
"The Everlasting Father".
"The Prince of Peace".
"Leader of the Armies of Heaven".
"King of Kings and Lord of Lords".
"He hath immortality dwelling in light".
"Lord of Peace".
"In Him dwelleth the God-Head bodily".
"In Him remain hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge".
"Able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think".
"All authority is given unto me".

Prayer by the leader closed this impressive hour.

SATURDAY EVENING, JUNE 16, 8 P. M.

The processional of Thank-Offering bearers sounded the note of the Annual Thank-Offering Service. The choir of the South Park United Presbyterian Church sang the Te Deum with spirit and understanding. The President offered the Invocation. The large audience sang the wonderful 16th Psalm:

"When in the night I meditate
On mercies multiplied,
My grateful heart inspires my tongue
To bless the Lord my guide."

The responsive reading from the 103rd Psalm was directed by Mrs. J. D. Sands. After the congregation had been given the privilege of making a Thank-Offering, Mrs. John P.

White was introduced as the speaker of the hour, in absence of Mrs. H. C. Campbell who was to have been present to tell the Convention of the beginnings of the Thank-Offering.

Mrs. White reviewed briefly the history of the Thank-Offering from its inception in 1888 by Mrs. Clokey, until the present time. The Thank-Offering Boxes were first used in 1892. Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter was the Secretary of the Thank-Offering until called Home, since which time Mrs. O. H. Milligan has been her worthy successor. This Thank-Offering in forty years has brought over two million dollars into the treasury, which sum has been applied entirely to missionary enterprise.

The pageant "Transferred Treasures", written by Mrs. John Heslip for this occasion, was given by seventeen women from the local societies in Buffalo. They were appropriately named for the various types of women found in most communities, to whom the missionary society is a duty rather than a privilege. The first scene shows these women indifferent and bored; the second scene reveals the great change that has come over them through the introduction of Love into their society, and the resultant Thank-Offering made by them.

Following this, the presbyterial Thank-Offering Bearers presented their offerings, which totaled for the past year, $165,655.16. A General Offering lifted earlier in the program amounted to $161.33.

The Consecration Prayer was offered by Mrs. John Ferguson, after which the meeting was closed with the singing of the triumphant 148th Psalm:

"He hath greatly blessed His people,
Therefore all ye saints give praise;
Chosen of the Lord and precious,
Thankful Hallelujahs raise."

Benediction was pronounced by Rev. Walter Hopping, D. D.

SABBATH AFTERNOON, JUNE 17th, 3:30 P. M.

This service is usually a Memorial Service; but this year there has been no removal by death from the official or missionary group of the General Society. For this the Society is thankful.

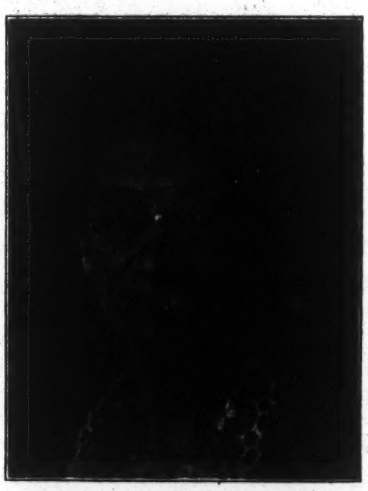
The annual Communion Service was held in the Convention Church under the direction of Dr. Walter Hopping. The 100th Psalm opened the service. Rev. Andrew Purdy, Pastor of North Park Church, read the Scripture lessons from the 11th Chapter of First Corinthians and the 51st Psalm, and Rev. W. H. McKnight offered prayer. The Communion address was delivered by Rev. L. E. H. Smith of the Ontario Street Church, who chose as his text, "This do in remembrance of Me". The speaker said that the service commemorates the birth of the Church, and Christ's life over His death. In the upper room He taught that the Church is not orphaned of the presence of a living Redeemer. As He said then, so He says now. The nutrition given for our spiritual lives is symbolized in food and drink. The elements are not in themselves holy; we are not asked to distrust our bodily senses, or to regard these emblems as other than emblematical. We ought everyone of us to have love, joy, sorrow,

gratitude and faith on this occasion. Any church that takes the cup, the symbolic blood of Christ from its belief, will have a sorry time explaining Jesus' words. This service is the light which tells Christ that we are remembering Him.

Dr. Hopping conducted the Lord's Supper, which was served to more than 500 communicants .

Rev. G. M. McKnight gave a brief post communion talk, emphasizing the importance of meditation and service. He paid tribute to the missionaries present, and especially to Miss Margaret Smith who has finished 56 years of service in Egypt.

This service closed with singing of the 23rd Psalm.



ROSA A. McCULLOUGH
on furlough
Greenwood, Mo.

SABBATH EVENING, JUNE 17

Miss Rosa McCullough, for forty-eight years a missionary in India, led the evening prayer hour. She selected for the lesson, verses from II Chronicles, 20th Chapter, and related personal experiences, when, greatly discouraged by the hardness of the natives she was trying to help, she felt she could not make another attempt. But the sermon for the next Sabbath was preached on the words: *"Fear not, nor be dismayed; tomorrow go out against them."* Miss McCullough said that she has never for an instant since felt any discouragement in the face of her difficulties, but worked on, assured that God would bring about a victory in His own good time. Fitting were the words that were sung with faith in their prophetic value:

"Christ shall have dominion
Over land and sea.
Earth's remotest regions
Shall His empire be."

Mrs. R. E. English introduced the four speakers of the evening. Each of these represented her own field. Miss Davida Finney, Egypt, told the audience of the new Egypt. In less than ten years there has been evolution politically, socially, and in religious thinking. Politically, Egypt is in the making. The story is told of two peasants who were talking. One said: "Who is this Mr. Independence who is coming?" The other replied: "I don't know who he is, but

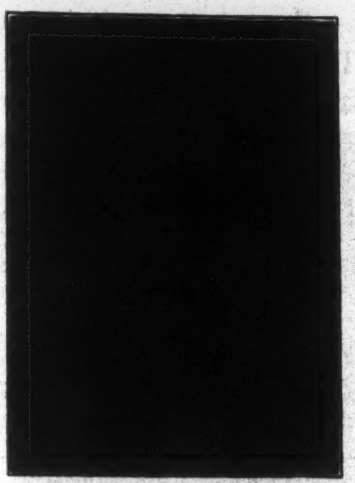
DAVIDA FINNEY
on furlough
Coshocton, Ohio

he is coming on the noon train." That Egypt is coming into a new political day, there is no doubt; and as we occupy a strategic place in influence, it behooves us to be in the spirit of prayer and helpfulness.

Egypt's social life is changing. Freedom for her women is coming, but what freedom is to be hers when she gets it? She wants education and the chance for intellectual advancement. There are 14,000,000 people, a flood of literature, and the people are reading. The Nile Printing Press is the only agency that is providing suitable reading, and it cannot begin to provide what is needed.

Religious thought is much confused. What shall Egypt accept? It is for our Church to help her decide. There are two classes of leaders: non-Christian and Christian. The leadership of the former is a menace to Christianity. In the latter is the hope of Christianity in Egypt. There is an Egyptian family that for generations has contributed largely to the development of religious influence. In this country now there is a young Egyptian studying that he may return to his own country and live a wholesome Christian life among his people. It is hopeful that the native church is respected, and the time seems just right for us to step into this land which offers unparalleled opportunities.

Miss Margaret Fehlman of India related a few "Wayside Experiences". While some missionaries were on their way to a village for a meeting, some women at work in a nearby field were allowed by their employer to leave their work and listen to the Bible Stories. The missionaries stayed as long as time permitted, telling stories and giving picture cards with



MARGARET FEHLMAN
on furlough
Crown Point, Ind.

explanations; and so the seed was sowed, from which they may or may not hear again.

One day the missionaries went to a village where they had never been allowed to enter, and met an old man who said that he would secure them an entrance and an audience of women, if they would tell the women they must send their girls to school. The bargain was made, and the women not only taught an audience of sixty women, but always afterwards had invitations into the homes of the village.

A religious fair was being held in a grove. The missionaries wended their way here, hoping to sell a few copies of Scripture portions. They found about 600 people, and unobtrusively talked with this one and that, until everyone had been seen and all their Testaments and Scripture portions taken. Late in the afternoon, they were advised to go, but their end had been accomplished.

A sick woman and her two daughters were found on the road, and taken by the missionaries to the Mission. The mother was kept in a tent until strong enough to be removed to a home in Gurdaspur, where from a stupid, ignorant woman, she developed into a thoughtful helper and learned to read. The two girls were kept in the boarding school.

MARY JANE McKNIGHT
on furlough
Volant, Pa.

Miss Mary Jane McKnight, of the Sudan, gave some interesting geographical information. Sudan is half as large as the United States, and has a population of 4,000,000 according to the church census. There are many tribes and many languages. There are two parts to the Sudan: Northern Sudan and Southern Sudan. There are 1000 boys in the mission schools. The North Khartoum Girls' School has good buildings, good equipment, splendid Christian teachers, and the finest girls to be found. Many conversions are taking place in the school.

Miss McKnight had an interesting experience with a young girl whom she taught to be a house-servant, incidentally teaching her to read. Some time later it was discovered that she had in turn taught another girl to read, and that she had become a Christian.

A defiant boy in one of the schools drank to excess, and one of the men told him he would pray for him. The boy determined to disprove the power of prayer, and proceeded to drink: that is, he tried to, but the liquor would not go down; and in spite of his disbelief in prayer, he found himself with a distaste for the very thing he had sought.

ISABEL BLAIR
on furlough
Washington, Pa.

Miss Isabel Blair, Abyssinia, related what seemed to her some of the miracles of Abyssinia. A native preacher attempted to speak of the love of God three times in succession, and was compelled to change his theme for the day, because of his emotion.

A mother brought her request to the mission, for prayer that her two children, sold into slavery, might be restored to her. Her requests were granted: the children were found and restored.

A blind beggar went to a witch doctor to have his eyes opened. Disappointed after following the witch doctor's advice, he drifted into the meeting held in the mission at Sayo for beggars, where he was taught some Bible stories. He proved so apt and responsive that he was asked to come to the compound as a helper. Two and one-half years ago, he was offered the opportunity of learning the Braille system, and did so, as well as touch typewriting. He is now teaching other blind persons to read, and is proving a splendid helper to the missionaries.

At the close of this profitable hour with our missionaries from the four fields, an offering was received, amounting to $101.44, including $11.00 contributed by the Mayor of Buffalo, and a friend.

The closing song was selected because it is a favorite of Mrs. Campbell's, whom the delegates greatly missed on this her own Foreign Missionary Night.

"For this is the Word: His saints shall not fail,
But over the earth Their power shall prevail.
All kingdoms and nations shall yield to their sway;
To God give the glory and praise Him for aye."

Rev. Thomas H. Newcomb offered prayer especially for the two mourning the sudden loss of dear ones, and pronounced the benediction.

MONDAY MORNING, JUNE 18

Mrs. D. S. Oyler, The Sudan, conducted morning prayer. She read the 81st Psalm and told the women of the bird life of Sudan. She contrasted the forced feeding of ducks for the religious feasts with the way in which the storks feed their young. These latter birds excite their little ones to reach up for the choice bits

MRS. D. S. OYLER
on furlough
Sterling, Kansas

which the parent bird gently drops within its mouth. So God is ready to feed his own, but he will not force his blessings upon them. They must be ready to receive and "open the mouth wide" for these blessings.

The Minutes of the sessions of Saturday and Sabbath were read and, as corrected approved.

Miss Elizabeth Milligan made her annual report, which, together with the auditor's statement was adopted with applause. A salient point in this report is the increased number of Presbyterial Literature secretaries who are having a sales table at the

Presbyterial meetings. 2332 mission study books were sold during the year.

Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer submitted the report of the secretary of Temperance and Reform. $125.00 has been sent to Egypt and $300 to India for use in combating the evils of the drug and liquor habits. An earnest statement of the conditions in our country was followed by a plea that our women accept their responsibility as citizens, for the sake of future generations. This report was adopted with enthusiasm.

The report of the Thank-Offering Secretary was read by Mrs. Joseph Heagen, and adopted.

SOME THANK-OFFERING FIGURES

Of the 1,716 societies reporting, 725 increased their offerings.

16 Presbyterials have made an increase.

48 Women's and Young Women's societies doubled the offerings of the previous year.

There are 151 Junior societies on the Honor Roll.

56 societies gave Thank-Offerings for the first time.

The amount of the 1927 Thank-Offering is $165,655.16.

India Thank-Offering, $1,049.78

Egypt Thank-Offering $4,138.68

The report of the Young Women's Work was made by the Secretary, Miss Ida B. Little, and adopted.

INTERESTING ITEMS

This is the Twenty-fifth anniversary of organization.

Membership has reached 11,095. Total Contributions in America, $75,-464.01, Egypt, $596.29, India, $56.80.

The Secretary of the Junior Department, Mrs. W. R. McMunn, made her annual report which was adopted.

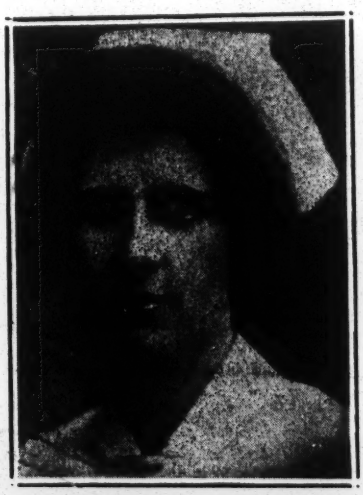
TWO IMPORTANT STATEMENTS

Gain of 384 in membership.

1037 Juniors united with the Church during the year.

Miss Anna Milligan reviewed the Foreign Study text for the coming year, "Friends of Africa." She made this book fascinating by references to its biography and bits of humor. She suggested that classes begin in the first chapter listing the names of the *Friends,* and add to the list chapter

MISS HELEN J. NOORDEWIER
on furlough
Grand Rapids, Mich.



MISS HAZEL EWING
on furlough
Woodlawn, Pa.

MISS HELEN MARTIN
on furlough
Wilkinsburg, Pa.

Miss Helen J. Noordewier of Egypt, Miss Hazel Ewing of Abyssinia, Miss Helen Martin of Egypt, all home on furlough, were prevented from attending the Convention.

by chapter. It would be profitable to tell what each one did; to find evidences of the "New African"; to note the position of women, and their place of influence; to keep account of their needs and encouragement; note constructive agencies; remember that each chapter contains material suitable for dramatization. Point out each Bible reference.

Miss Milligan repeated a suggestion made a year ago for assignment on each chapter: Pick out a fact worth remembering; a person worth knowing, a story worth telling, an appropriate Scripture. Miss Milligan then discussed program building in the local society, and urged *variety*. A good chairman of the program committee who is willing to work hard can plan and carry out programs that will be profitable and pleasing to any group of women. She described a program which was a quiz on a late issue of the Magazine. Another leader gave out books to be read and reported on at the next meeting. She suggested that clippings from the newspapers may be spiritualized, and illustrated her point by a short article that she found on "Jungle music". She thinks that the story of Channing Tobias could be dramatized. The address by Miss Milligan was replete with helpful ideas, and will appear in the Magazine.

The rest of this morning's session was given to a relay conference in which the various departments of work were considered informally.

MONDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 18

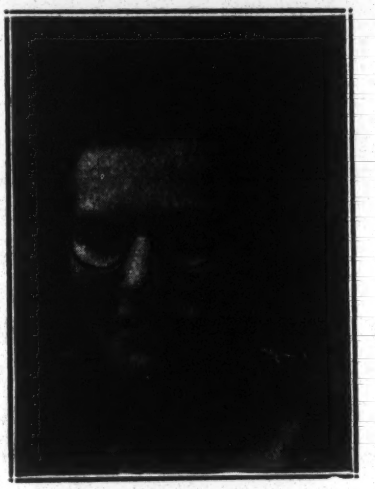
Mrs. E. E. Grice of Egypt led the devotional service. Her remarks were based on the thought "Let us labor to enter into this rest, lest any man fail because of unbelief." When Jesus told Peter "Feed my lambs," he implied loving service. He implied, too, that we must labor if we are to enter into this rest.

Mrs. S. A. Copeland of New Castle, Pa., conducted a conference on Evangelism. She referred to the story of the conversion of three thousand after Peter's sermon, but was certain that there had been much preparation beforehand, much personal work, much witnessing, and many evangelistic tours, when the workers went out by twos. The sermon is very often the climactic effort. Personal evangelism is Jesus' method. The disciples caught nothing when they fished in their own way. It was only when they fished in Jesus' way that they succeeded. "Go ye into all the world" is not addressed merely to an *occasional* believer, but to *every* believer. Go into *your* world, go to *your* neighbor, go up and down *your* street. Build up your missionary society by this plan, always keeping before you the fact that you are after souls. Only as we have the purifying blood of Christ in our lives, can we offer it to others. Our denomination has thrown out a challenge for 7 per cent increase on profession of faith in this seventieth year of our existence. This would mean 12,017 persons. It has asked also for a net increase of 7000 members for this year.

The greatest weapon for evangelistic work is personal testimony.

Miss Laura B. Wright, Fayoum, Egypt, invited to the platform by Mrs. Copeland, told a brief story of her experience in trying to teach the

native Bible women how to win to Christ those whom they are teaching. Volunteers came and increased in number. They wanted to go out after



LAURA B. WRIGHT
on furlough
College Corner, Ohio

church service on Sabbath morning and visit the villages. Miss Wright instructed these volunteers, and prayed with them. Then they went out two by two. This work has grown marvellously, and souls are coming into the Kingdom through this simple visitation. These native workers have asked to continue the visiting through the heat of summer.

Mrs. Copeland suggested that a visitor provide herself with tiny copies of the Gospels from the American Bible Society at a penny each, leaving one with each person upon whom she calls. She recommended the following books for those who wish to become intelligent evangelistic visitors: Visitation Evangelism, by Kernahan; The Soul Winner, by Spurgeon; How to Bring Men to Christ, by Torrey; Individual Work for Individuals, by Trumbull. Her final word was "I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me."

The Convention listened with appreciation to a solo based on the 130th Psalm. Miss Ethel Rhodes of Detroit sang this number. She possesses a rich contralto voice, and was accompanied by Mrs. Leslie Mountford.

Mrs. Hill read a letter from Mrs. H. C. Campbell. The Convention gave itself to prayer in her behalf.

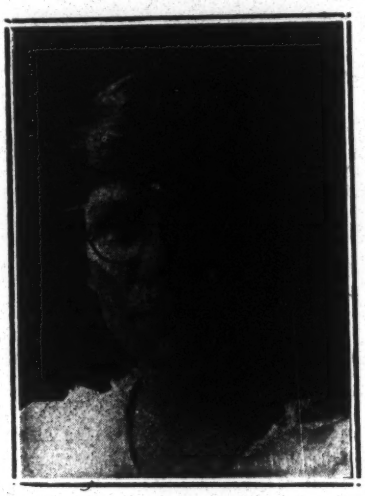
Miss Elizabeth Milligan took charge of the next feature of the program, "Messages from Across the Sea."

Mrs. Bruce Buchanan, Abyssinia, brought the first message. She related the story of Gidada's wife. She was regarded as a very stupid woman, and having lost both her children was in despair. Prayer for her resulted in her conversion, and she has become an earnest, devoted Christian, with every evidence of increasing mental ability.

Mrs. J. B. McKnight spoke of the first "Agricultural School" in all our foreign mission stations, opened four years ago, in Khartoum North. The type of country makes it impossible to teach the dignity of labor by any other means than agricultural methods. Various crops are produced, one of which, alfalfa, can be cut every twenty-one days. The dairy department is doing splendidly. In religious progress there is great encouragement, many boys who have resisted hitherto, being now willing to listen to the missionary.

Mrs. P. J. Smith from Southern Sudan says that the Nuers are finding out that there is a new God. They are 100 per cent illiterate, and go to school very reluctantly because they

do not see any material advantage in going. The Government was at first indifferent to the mission school, but a new Governor has brought about a change of attitude. The Mission has been given the right to conduct these schools, and wants the boys and girls taught Christianity. The influence of the school is being felt in other sections.



LUCY LIGHTOWLER
on furlough
Camden, N. J.

Miss Lucy Lightowler, Egypt, referred to her own change since going on the field. Experience has brought her a new vision; she is eager to return. She told the story of a native woman who was very ill, and obliged to call a Mohammedan doctor. When she had passed the crisis safely, she told the doctor that it would have been all right if she had not lived, for "He was waiting for me on the other side." The doctor was so affected that he exclaimed "Oh, that I had such a faith!" Miss Lightowler expressed her desire that Christians at home should live so consistently that a native Christian would feel at home here.

MRS. L. A. GORDON
on furlough
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mrs. L. A. Gordon, Egypt, told a pathetic circumstance of a man who brought his two-year old child to the mission to be put into school. When denied because the little one was too young, and told that its mother should be its teacher, he said bitterly, *"There are no mothers in Egypt.* My wife is a fool, and I cannot afford a better one." Mrs. Gordon added that the women are learning to pray and that many requests for prayer are brought to the mission. That these seekers, as well as the missionaries may prove the value of prayer, these requests are noted in a book, as well as the answers, and used for the encouragement of the intercessors.

MARTHA C. GLASS
on furlough
Monmouth, Ill.

Miss Martha Glass, Egypt, related the story of a devoted mother who walked a long distance to put her child in the mission school. Several

instances were noted of children who had been cared for, and who became dependable helpers later. Two such were orphans, and were reared in The Pressley Memorial Institute. They became good teachers.

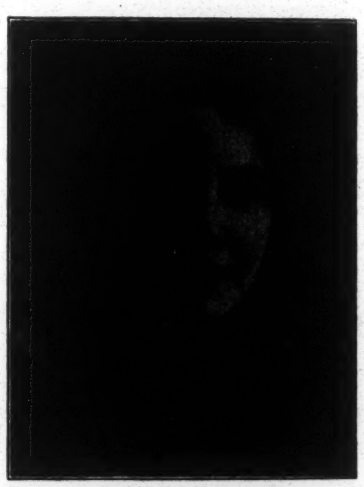
Mrs. W. T. Moore of Tanta Hospital, Egypt, described the confusion in which the missionaries tried to teach in a certain street of a village. Twelve years later they revisited that street to learn that no other missionary had been there, yet they found one woman who was able to tell them some of the stories she had heard that day.

MISS MINNIE BEATTY
on furlough
Chicora, Pa.

Miss Minnie Beatty, India, depicted a street scene in which a beautiful young girl was lifting a collection from a crowd of men, whom she was entertaining, while her blind father sang. A tragic story was told of a young girl sold by her father in marriage, abused by her husband, and so neglected that she died within a year. Every effort had been made to persuade the father not to marry her as he did.

MRS. LAURA McARTHUR
on furlough
R. R., Winslow, Wash.

Mrs. Laura McArthur, India, narrated the conversion of a man who was living as a Hindu priest, but holding Christian services with his family behind closed doors. Mrs. McArthur believes that India is being permeated by the Gospel, and that one day she will be possessed by it.



ZARRA S. HOON
on furlough
Milton, Oregon

Miss Zarra Hoon, India, told of the itinerating work during the season that the heat permitted. One day, Dr. W. T. Anderson challenged her and Mrs. Mary Samuel to try to visit

a village that had never been approached with the Message. Deliberate disorder was so great that nothing was accomplished. Similar disturbances at another village aroused the wrath of one native woman. She shook her fist threateningly at the most troublesome, and succeeded in getting order while the Message was given. It bore fruit.

Mrs. W. T. Anderson, India, a veteran on the field, compared the growth of the mission to that of a little child learning to walk. The mission encourages the wobbly little steps, and in time the *child's* steps are strong enough to help in its own support, and eventually to assume full support.

All the foregoing speakers having been heard within the prescribed time, the group from India threw in a native song for good measure.

The Secretary was instructed to send a telegram of sympahty and love to Mrs. Elmer Castles, delegate from Oklahoma, whose husband was killed in a tornado which swept over that section on Saturday evening.

Mrs. Alice McClure Borton's theme for the Hour of Meditation was that of absolute yielding to Christ, of body and soul. God calls us to let Him become wholly our Master, while we are to become His "love-slaves." This yielding affords power to give the Message, when sin has been made right. There are days here and elsewhere that demand cleaning up. Surrender of family, home, *everything*, is necessary—a cutting of the rope which binds us to the world, if we are to walk with the Lord Jesus Christ.

A Junior pageant was given by the Buffalo Juniors, every society being represented. It consisted of a missionary version of Mother Goose rhymes with all of the well-known characters from the Crooked Man to Little Miss Muffet, suitably costumed. Each Junior was earning money for the Thank-Offering, and exhibited his Thank-Offering box with satisfaction.

It was well presented, and much appreciated by the audience.

Mrs. Jeannette C. Alter led evening worship, reading several passages in which the method of reaching the people was demonstrated: Teaching, Preaching, Healing. It was said of the Master that he was moved with compassion for the multitude. This involved a real *moving* to help them. The Master also said, "Lift up your eyes and look upon the fields, they are white to the harvest." We need to have a vision of the fields "white to the harvest." and be so *moved* as to put forth our efforts to reach the people with the Gospel.

Rev. H. Ray Shear, Frenchburg, Kentucky, took for his topic the word from Isaiah, "Exalted above the hills." This seems to Mr. Shear to mean the exaltation of the spiritual above the material. He said that there are various foothills by which to approach a knowledge of the Mountain People: the tie of family, the picturesqueness of the people themselves, their history, and the exploitation of the mountain country, timber, minerals, etc. But the foothills leading to the goal to which the speaker has set himself is also fourfold: *Educational* work which will be needed for years to come; *Vocational*, including cooking, sewing, ag-

ricultural training, and shop work; *Medical;* and *Charitable,* handled under what is called the "Christmas Room" and the old clothes "department store." It is of interest to note that this latter form of service brought into the Frenchburg treasury last winter more than $2400.00. This sum was applied to heating and lighting the entire plant. All these foothills lead to one goal,—the spiritual and religious good of the people. This is the supreme thing to be attained—to exalt the Cross.

Mrs. Anthony Caliandro from the Italian mission in West New York charmed the audience with two violin numbers, and responded to an insistent encore by playing unaccompanied, Schubert's Ave Maria.

Mrs. C. S. Simpson from the Robinson Memorial Hospital at Miller's Ferry, Alabama, told the Convention what this hospital means to its community. The great need of doctors and the attendant cost of medical aid brought this hospital into existence. The first nurse took a correspondence course and later went to Chicago for practical training. Two willing young women joined her later at Miller's Ferry and she taught them. The community has gradually been instructed in simple treatments when these will serve. Many patients have been cared for in the hospital and comparatively few have been lost. The hospital has done so much for the poor and suffering of that section that it has earned the commendation of the Master: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these ye have done it unto me."

At the earnest request of the audience, Mrs. Simpson consented to sing a Spiritual. She was joined by Mrs. E. V. Butts from Tennessee, and the plaintive air, "I want to be a Christian in my heart" was selected. One by one voices from the audience softly harmonized with the singers, and a hush crept over the auditorium. There were moist eyes as the plea "I want to be like Jesus in my heart" melted into silence.

Mrs. J. French Kerr, introduced Rev. R. G. Smith, Missionary to the Indians at Tama, Iowa, who spoke humorously of some of his experiences. He deplored the law which makes it almost impossible to perform a marriage ceremony for Indians. Home life is thus made difficult and the missionary is handicapped in his efforts to win the Indian to Christianity. The Indian is a slow but careful thinker, and yields very slowly to Christ. The chorus choir of the Second United Presbyterian Church, Buffalo, contributed several numbers to the program of the evening. Among them the well-known Spiritual, "Goin' Home", from the New World Symphony, and a Psalm setting for the Verdi Trio.

The benediction was pronounced by Rev. G. M. McKnight.

TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 19

Morning prayer was directed by Mrs. W. W. Nolin, Egypt. The speaker thinks that Christians should believe and practice the Word that says not to be over anxious about physical needs, but to seek first the kingdom. Mrs. Nolin regards the making of a Christian home as of prime importance in our mission fields.

The minutes of Monday sessions were read and approved.

The President read telegrams from Mrs. H. C. Campbell and Mrs. O. H. Milligan. Mrs. Campbell asked the Convention to read Colossians 2:5,6. Mrs. Milligan, Psalm 104:5.

Miss Leda K. Stephens, Indiana, Pa., brought to the women a study on methods for the Home Study text for the coming year: "What next in Home Missions."

Miss Stephens said the program committee should have in mind four groups of women who are found in every society: 1. Those who will really study earnestly and conscientiously; 2. Those who can only read assignments; 3. Those who have no time for outside reading; 4. Those who are slightly interested.

She suggested a "barrel" such as ministers jestingly claim to have, to be kept by each woman,—a notebook, with an envelope pasted in the back for clippings. Such clippings ought to be passed on to any woman who needs them. Pamphlets, too, should be kept and shared.

Each chapter was outlined with a suggestion for the program committee; e.g., Chapter I, Give the history of your own local church; Chapter II, Build program around a "League of Nations", in which each woman represents a nation and tells what her people have contributed. Chapter III, A quilting party in the country; Chapter IV, Prepare a questionnaire on your city. Secure all the facts available about city life, etc., etc.

The order of the day was reports.

Mrs. J. B. Hill read the Annuity and Testamentary reports prepared by the Secretary of this department, Mrs. H. C. Campbell.

Outstanding Items

Bonds outstanding April, 1927	$182,866.11
Bonds issued April 15, 1927 to April 15, 1928	18,400.00
Total	$201,266.11
Lapsed from April 15, 1927 to April 15, 1928	1,600.00
Bonds outstanding	$199,666.11

In the Legacy statement, there was a credit balance, April 15, 1927, of $2,377.21.

During the year legacies have been turned over to the department amounting to $25,457.61. These reports were adopted.

Word was brought to the platform of the death of Miss Mary E. Blair's brother in Colorado. The Convention engaged in prayer for her consolation on the sad journey home.

The report of the Women's Association was read by Mrs. R. L. Thompson, and adopted. She reviewed the work from its inception 50 years ago, noting that Mrs. H. C. Campbell has been its President during forty-three years of that period. There are ninety children "mothered" in the Orphanage, and eighty-seven aged people happily spending their last years in the Home for Aged People. Columbia Hospital has a capacity for caring for 207 patients, and accepts sufferers of any creed, color, age, or station in life, who needs its healing ministry. During the past year Columbia Hospital and the Nurses' dormitory have been enlarged at an expense, including equipment, of $99,696.70. Twenty-seven missionaries have been entertained as guests

in the Hospital. The sources of income for the support of these institutions are : annual memberships of a dollar each, life memberships of twenty-five dollars, and life directorships of one hundred dollars each. Donation days occur annually. Bequests form another source of income. The annual Lawn Fete, held in June adds materially to the resources. Missionary societies contribute cash as well as clothing and edibles. This report was adopted.

Mrs. J. G. Kennedy was granted the courtesy of telling of the progress made during the past year by the Women's Association of the West.

The report of the Committee on Recommendations was called for, and made by Mrs. J. H. Miller; Mrs. J. C. Alter presented another for insertion in the report. These were considered *seriatum*, and then adopted as a whole.

The Committee on Recommendations begs to submit the following report:

1. Realizing the indifference of the times concerning things spiritual, we ask that each delegate carry home to the societies of her Presbyterial a greater sense of obligation to the lost, increased devotion to the Master and that she urge a campaign of personal evangelism in each congregation.

2. That we ask our local societies and Presbyterials to set a definite Magazine goal, and that special effort be made to reach that goal.

3. That we endeavor to increase the circulation of the Missionary and Temperance literature among the women of our congregation, that they may be better informed along those lines.

4. That as this is a critical year politically, our women be urged to vote for law makers and executives who will uphold the eighteenth amendment and for a Protestant Executive in the White House.

5. That each delegate as she returns to her home, and reports to her Presbyterial, strive to increase the interest in the "Mrs. George Moore Memorial Fund", that it may speedily be completed.

6. That program committees give more attention to the planning of programs that shall introduce variety, information along Missionary lines and greater enthusiasm in the building up of God's kingdom at home and abroad.

7. That the time of meeting of the Convention remain in June, the special dates to be arranged at the convenience of the Board and the Local Committee.

8. That a pre-conference be planned for in the future to aid first term delegates to get their bearings, suggestions about taking reports, serving on committees, etc.

Miss Mary E. Blair,
Mrs. J. H. Miller,
Miss Grace Wiley.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was called for and presented by Mrs. Alice Giffen as follows: Adopted at close of reading.

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Whereas, in the Providence of God we have been brought together in this forty-fifth annual convention of the W. G. M. S. with every Presbytery represented and such a great number

of missionaries among us we desire:

First of all, to express our gratitude to our Heavenly Father for His care over us and His kindness to us.

Second, we wish to commit to His love and compassion our sisters, Mrs. Castles of Oklahoma and Miss Blair of Colorado, who were called from our midst and who have been so sorely bereaved, also Mrs. H. C. Campbell and Mrs. O. H. Milligan who have been prevented from fellowship with us in this convention because of illness.

Be it resolved: that through lives more deeply consecrated to the Master's service the Holy Spirit may be enabled to accomplish a greater work through us in making America more than nominally Christian.

We reaffirm our allegiance to the Eighteenth amendment and the Volstead Act, and our purpose to promote the cause of Temperance, Sabbath observance, and other reforms. Therefore we earnestly call upon every woman of this organization to support only those candidates who are absolutely loyal to our laws and the enforcement of them.

We desire to express a deep appreciation of the faithful services of the Officers of this Convention, of the untiring efforts of our Magazine Committee; also for the large and varied exhibit of the Juniors of the W. G. M. S., and extend our thanks to the Committee who so attractively arranged it.

We are truly grateful for the privilege of gathering around the Lord's Table on Sabbath afternoon.

We express our heartfelt thanks to Caledonia Presbytry, the City of Buffalo, and to all friends who have opened their doors so hospitably to us. We especially thank the Local Committee who have so well prepared for our comfort, and the delightful trip to Niagara and Stamford Church; also to the young women, Juniors, Boy Scouts, musicians and flower committee. Particularly do we express appreciation to Dr. Watson for his inspiring address.

Realizing our need for deeper prayer life we desire to better fulfil the Motto of this Convention: "Lovest thou Me? . . . feed my Sheep". John 21:16.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Walter Speer,
Chairman.
Mrs. Bert Higgins,
Mrs. E. Butts,
Mrs. Alice Giffen.

Mrs. R. W. Mansfield, Chairman of the Committee on Place made the report of that committee, placing before the Society an invitation from Philadelphia Presbyterial to meet in 1929 in Oak Park Church, Philadelphia. This report was adopted with enthusiasm.

The final report of the Credential Committee was read by the Chairman, Mrs. J. E. Pugh, and adopted. (See roll of members,—Secretary).

The Chairman on the Nominations Committee made her report, which was adopted.

The Secretary called the roll of delegates and members of the Convention, after which the annual election was held.

Mrs. Alice McClure Borton led the Hour of Meditation, asking for verses from the women that had been of

special value, or represented a life experience and faith. There proved to be more verses than could be heard in the time allotted.

Mrs. Borton said that the life of the child of God can be lived only by faith—letting Christ live it for him; for our conflict is not against flesh and blood, but against spiritual enemies. Hence, Take up the whole armor of God; stand, having your loins girt about with truth; put on the breastplate of righteousness, and this means the righteousness of Christ; praying always,—using every opportunity for prayer. The weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but spiritual. Intercession is the rope by which we may rescue all that are in danger of losing their spiritual lives.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 19

Mrs. J. P. McKnight of the Sudan conducted afternoon devotions. She said that she had come to feel that the most important question we should ask ourselves is "What does Jesus think of me?"

Mrs. R. E. English, Statistical Secretary, reported that 12 Presbyterials continue on the Honor Roll and that four new pennants were awarded to Presbyterials attaining this honor the present year. The trophy cups for the highest percentage of net gain in membership were awarded to Colorado Presbyterial in the B class, and to Kiskiminetas Presbyterial in the A class. (Class B has less than 700 members; Class A has more than 700. Secretary).

Allegheny Presbyterial received the first silver cup for largest per cent gain in membership in its Junior Societies. Omaha received the second cup. (These Presbyterials rank above the 500 membership mark and below it respectively.)

Wisconsin was presented with the Convention Banner, because it had measured up to all the requirements in the Standard of Efficiency. Mrs. I. H. Milliken, for years at the head of the Junior Department presented this banner.

The report of the Tellers was the order of the hour, and was read by Chairman Mrs. Arch M. Neale as follows: Adopted.

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These newly elected officers, with the exception of the First and Second Vice Presidents who were not present, were introduced to the Convention.

Short addresses on the topic "Light Shining Out of Darkness" were given as follows:

Mrs. Hugh Milne, India, told the story of a native convert who was concealed for four days in a mission

house, then, disguised in European dress, was able to escape from her persecutors to Gujranwala where she was baptized and entered upon a fruitful work.

OLIVE LAING
on furlough
Ingram, Pa.

Miss Olive Laing, India, described a Thank-Offering in a girls' school. Little clay jugs are kept in the office where the girls deposit their expense money, and in these jugs the offerings are put. The girls are taught to make an offering thus whenever they receive money from home. Girls who do not have money, often make articles for sale, but this is not encouraged if it is at all possible for a money offering to be made. The girls are so trained that when they go out with the Gospel message in later years, they will have a *complete* message to give out.

Mrs. Robert Maxwell, India, related the founding of a boys' school in Gujranwala, recently bereft of its head. It is among the schools which may be closed because of retrenchment on the part of the Foreign Board. A recent letter from the widow contains a plea that America will not allow this school to be closed. She is filled with anxiety for the school, even in her own personal loss.

VIVIAN TRIMBLE
on furlough
College Springs, Iowa

Miss Vivian Trimble, India, described a Thank-Offering hour when the jugs were brought to the Mission by women from outside districts. These women are always asked in detail about their offering, and oftentimes a woman finds weird explanations for not having her jug, or for having forgotten or neglected her offering. Other women reveal great sacrifices.

Miss Janette Howland, India, pictured a range of hills at dawn, with Mt. Everest in the distance. The work seems discouraging at times, as the foothills are gray, but the glorious mountain beyond proves that without a doubt the sun is casting its radiance

JANETTE HOWLAND
on furlough
Walton, N. Y.

over the land. So there are evidences that the Sun of Righteousness is shining in these lands. Pray for this.

REBECCA JEAN BLACK
on furlough
Petrolia, Pa.

Miss Jean Black, India, is connected with a school in which special effort is made to teach the girls to be Christians, and to be prepared and to expect to work among their neighbors. One such girl was very troublesome and left school to be married. She went to a neighboring village, where it was discovered later that she had changed greatly, and was teaching others. So she repaid the labor expended on her.

CARRIE WORMAN
on furlough
Golden, Ill.

Miss Carrie Worman, India, was one day able to be of service to a young woman who was being annoyed by two men begging for money. She ordered the men off the place. The favor came back to her when the young woman was able to secure admittance to a village that had never been open to the missionaries.

Mrs. J. M. Baird, Egypt, described a Presbyterial where the training of children was one of the principal themes of discussion. The interesting feature was the appearance on the program of native mothers who thus cooperated with the teachers in presenting this important subject. There is great need for training, and as these women had been taught by our mission, they were enabled to be of great service and inspiration to their sisters .

Florence White, Abyssinia, said of it "a wonderful land physically, but starved spiritually." The George Memorial Hospital stands as a center,

radiating health and spiritual comfort. Among the patients in this hospital was one who was a robber

FLORENCE D. WHITE
on furlough
Cortland, Ind.

and a murderer. He was brought in by friends under cover of night. He recovered and accepted Christ. He has proved to be a gentle humble lover of his Lord.

WILLA RAMSEY
on furlough
West Sunbury, Pa.

Willa Ramsey, India, described the prayer groups among the girls. One object of prayer was a very bigoted Mohammedan girl, who told them not to pray for her, because she did not want to become a Christian. These girls believe that God does hear and answer prayer. Shall we, too, act on this belief?

Dr. Reba Hunsberger, India, referred to the hospital at Sialkot as being very poorly equipped when she went out, and still in great need of improved conditions. The Government is becoming more exacting in the inspection of the hospitals, and the Sialkot hospital must receive more care. At first it was far below the standard, but has gained, and if improvements can continue, will be able to continue a valuable work. The evangelistic aim is kept in view constantly. One father's heart was softened by the restoration to health of his three year old son. Medical service is reaching those who would never be reached by any other means.

Miss Hannah Beale, India, smilingly told the Convention of her days of inexperience, when she used harmless agencies for simple ailments, and that the credulity of the natives was so great, *that they were restored to health by the use of these,* not knowing that while they were harmless, they were at the same time not healing remedies.

Mrs. Ray Shear, Frenchburg, Kentucky, paid a tribute to Mrs. Merle McDowell, the wife of the professor of the Agricultural Department at Frenchburg, who was called home in May. While her sphere seemed narrow, with little children to care for, yet she took her place in the Church and the Missionary Society. Her Sabbath School class was not neglected. Her life was uncomplaining, and her memory fragrant with kind service.

Mrs. Jeannette C. Alter led the Convention in prayer for the consolation of the bereaved husband and the orphaned children.

An hour at this time was given to the celebration of the Twenty-fifth anniversary of the Young Women's Missionary Society. A well-presented story of these twenty-five years was given in a play written for the occasion, and told by a group of young women from the local societies. The review of these years was humorous, and replete with information. A birthday cake with twenty-five candles was served to the participants, while the outstanding features of the young women's accomplishments were told. Miss Little, Secretary of the Young Women's Department for sixteen years, was *lured* to the platform for a final word, and found herself the recipient of honors in the way of flowers, speeches—not to mention the processional of sixteen girls who dropped into her lap a ten-dollar gold piece for each year of her service. The gift was the result of a "penny apiece" from each girl in the presbyterials where there are young women's missionary societies. Letters from presbyterial secretaries formed the "shower" for the lovely flowers presented Miss Little.

Mrs. Wm. Liggett sang effectively, "Consider the Lilies". She was accompanied by Mrs. Thomas Carol.

Miss Jennie B. Wallace, Secretary of the Board of Directors, announced the Corporation meeting for July 3rd.

The Minutes of the sessions of the day were read and approved, and the secretary instructed to complete them without further reading.

Mrs. Alice McClure Borton conducted the final Hour of Meditation. The Service opened with a solemn series of prayers. The leader then talked about our fellowship with Christ in his sufferings. Overwhelming problems come into most lives. Such are found in the lives of young people and seem almost insurmountable unless borne by Christ. Too often we tug and pull and try to solve things, but only Christ can save. So many hearts are in despair and suffer for the fellowship of Christ. Our church may have a problem, or the missionary society, and you may be alone. Only Christ can help. Prayer closed the service.

TUESDAY, EVENING, JUNE 19

The evening session was opened by prayer by Rev. Anthony Caliandro of West New York.

The address of the hour was delivered by Dr. Charles R. Watson, President of the American University at Cairo, Egypt.

The speaker commented upon the breadth of the program of this Convention, and the detail with which the work of the General Society has been studied. His theme was "Our Great Commission": "As the Father hath sent me, so have I sent you."

Dr. Watson said the Jerusalem Conference had delegates of many races, but had for its object the discussion of problems and difficulties in world missions. Its supreme objective was to feel fresh unity. There were many differences, linguistic, intellectual, racial, but all these were transcended by the unity of the One who gave it. Even separation wide and possibly lasting makes no differ-

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ence—we work at the same tasks and have the same unity.

The theme for the hour was discussed under four heads: To whom was the commission given, To whom does it send us, For what purpose are we sent, Are we really going to do it.

1. The little group *that stayed with Jesus* were those who received the commission—none others. Not those who merely wanted on impulse to lead, are commissioned. It is given *to those who have received life. Truth* will not do, for Truth alone can be as sterile and as unlovely as the inquisition. *Organization* cannot produce life, so it cannot be commissioned. It may project life, but no more.

2. Those who are commissioned are sent to the world of human life. Not the scientist, physicist, astronomer, but *human life*—for the concentrated values of the world are in human life. *So human life only is our commission,* created in the image of God, and there is nothing higher. Life today is the product of centuries of experiences, influences, opportunities. It is a precious thing to be handled sacredly as under the guiding hand of God. There are sectors of human life on this continent and in foreign fields. The great sector, Islam, is the hardest and most discouraging. For 75 years we have been at this task, but from deadness, there is a strange transformation taking place, and since the great War, this change is especially to be seen. There are Moslems who gave up their lives. Those who were returned to their homes, related their experiences. These have broadened their horizon, and an outside world has been made known. The auto has made a road from Persia to the Mediterranean. The force of nationalism has affected the people, and they are talking politics; minds are working; social changes are taking place: families sit together at the dining table; men and women walk side by side; all these are evidences that this dormant world is now awakening, and is committed to us.

3. What are we sent for? Our first business is that of the redemption of human life. All great movements swing upon the hinges of individual lives.

There must be redemption from physical sin; there must be intellectual redemption; this is a part of our business that Christ sent us on. Culture in Egypt was the privilege of the few at the top. Invading armies killed them off, and the common people could not carry on. There must be moral redemption. Where there is no such redemption, the countries are rotten in vice, slaves to alcohol, heedless, and cruel. Every life must be brought into fellowship with God. The religion of secularism is the greatest of all isms. It is attacking Hinduism, Confucianism, etc., and winning more than Christianity. Our business is to secure fellowship with God through Jesus Christ.

We are here to redeem the whole social life of this world. There are three tasks: To redeem social life with respect to childhood; To redeem social life with respect to womanhood; To redeem social life with respect to the workingman.

4. Are we going to do it? Only through the answer to the question

"Lovest thou me?" Change the first word, and the answer is given,—"*Livest* thou me?" "Prayest thou?" This whole commission will be fulfilled only through prayer. Is our love too weak? Is our living too wrong? Is our praying too uncertain?

Success depends upon God.

In the absence of Mrs. H. C. Campbell, the Consecration service was conducted by Mrs. Alice McClure Borton. Mrs. Campbell's favorite Psalm was sung—"Go forth in His service"—and after a brief exposition of the words "Lovest thou me?", Mrs. Borton read selections from the Word, pledging missionaries and delegates to more consecrated effort. She stated that only by loving Jesus Christ supremely can this be accomplished.

After the benediction by Rev. Thomas H. Newcomb, the President announced the adjournment of the Convention of 1928.

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REPORT OF

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FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1928

MISS JENNIE B. WALLACE
Recording Secretary

FOR each of the past two years our report has been blurred by the announcement that the circle of the Women's Board had been broken, twice by death, once by resignation due to ill-health. This year, no such shadow falls upon the page. For spared lives and, in general, health and strength for duty we thank God.

Owing to the date of last year's convention it was impossible to hold the regular meeting at the beginning of July. At the twenty-one regular meetings held, the average attendance was over thirteen, the record of many days showing the presence of the entire fifteen, several of whom, as was remarked in our last report, have to make real journeys to attend. As usual, the executive committee met several times. Three special meetings were necessary, at two of which nearly every member of the Board was present.

As to the subjects that come up at these meetings, housekeepers will sympathize, requests for paint, for clothes-closets, screen, rugs, new table-ware, for kitchen and laundry pipes away off in Abyssinia; farmers will realize the difficulties of long-distance oversight of farms in Kentucky and Alabama, of wells and the search for water; doctors, of requests for X-ray machines and sterilizers; lawyers will feel for women dealing with bequests, annuities, investments of trust funds, insurance, foreign exchange and purchase of property in other lands.

But the matter of deepest importance, in which all should be interested and concerning which all should beseech divine guidance for your representatives on the Board is the selection of missionaries. Will you not enter this in your Prayer Cycles?

The Board was represented at the meeting of the General Assembly, the Sterling, Muskingum and Eastern summer conferences and at several interdenominational gatherings, including those of The Council of Women for Home Missions, and the Home Missions Council, The Federation of Women's Boards of Foreign Missions in North America and The Foreign Missions Council, The Student Volunteer Movement, The Women's National Committee for Law Enforcement, and the Washington conference on The Cause and Cure of War.

For the last-named, several women of the Wallace Memorial church of Washington were asked to represent the Board as delegates, which they did most acceptably, sending to the Board an excellent report, copious extracts from which were given in the March number of *The Womens Missionary Magazine.* Local women of the New York and Chicago vicinities by request of the Council of Women for Home Missions and the Winona Lake Summer School of Missions have been appointed by the Board to serve on important permanent committees of these organizations.

The Home, Freedmen's and Indian missions have been visited during the year by the secretaries of their departments, each accompanied by an-

other member, for your Board belives that sending "two and two" is still the best plan.

These visits to the fields are eminently worth while. Those visited are assured of the interest of the W. G. M. S. in the work it is carrying on; helpful acquaintances are formed and, not least important, messages from the missions as to conditions and needs are much more intelligible because of personal knowledge.

Growth of interest in the W. G. M. S. is evidenced in many ways. Better and better programs are being presented by the local and presbyterial societies, with consequent increase in attendance. Distant presbyterials send early and urgent invitations for Board members and other delegates to meet with them enroute to or from the annual convention. Speakers for Thank-Offering and other occasions are greatly in demand.

The number of prayer groups has grown to seventy-eight.

The Prayer Cycle, that guide to daily intercession, is increasingly used.

The circulation of *The Womens Missionary Magazine* and *The Junior Missionary Magazine* is growing and their contents are of ever increasing interest. With these supplementing *The United Presbyterian* and *The Christian Union Herald* and with the Minutes of the General Assembly and the Prayer Cycle at hand—and *used* —there need be no lack of information as to the Church's work.

To the Board of Publication thanks are again due, this time for the gift of one hundred new Psalters to the Frenchburg church in time for the dedication, also for Bible Song books sent to one of the Indian missions.

With our brethren of all the Church boards, the most cordial relations, as always, have existed and numerous conferences have been held concerning branches of work which are theirs and ours in common. In the group visitation by which they have sought to cultivate the evangelistic and missionary spirit of the Church your Board has been glad to cooperate, whether in person or as this year, through representatives. Through the kindness of the India Mission in extending the leave of absence of Mrs. Samuel, one of the teams was able to avail itself of her services, which, needless to say, added much of inspiration.

Two members of the Board have, as before, served on the General Council.

A recent action of the Board, which will come before you for discussion, is one recommending that hereafter the annual convention be held in May, as in years past was the custom.

Since the annual reorganization a year ago, with one necessary change, the apportionment of duties in the Board has been as follows: Mrs. J. D. Sands, president and secretary of finance; Miss Elizabeth Milligan, and Mrs. J. French Kerr, first and second vice-presidents; Mrs. J. B. Hill, treasurer; Miss Jennie B. Wallace, recording secretary, and the following departmental secretaries: Foreign, Mrs. H. C. Campbell; Home, Mrs. William S. Cook; Freedmen, Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson; Indian, Mrs. J. French Kerr; Thank-Offering, Mrs. O. H. Milligan; Parsonage and Railroad, Mrs. W. P. Wiegering; Young Women, Miss Ida B. Little; Junior and Business Manager of Junior Missionary Magazine, Mrs. W. R. McMunn; Editor of Junior Missionary Magazine, Mrs. Joseph Heagen; Literature, Miss Elizabeth Milligan; Statistical, Mrs. R. E. English; Temperance and Reform and Prayer Group, Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer.

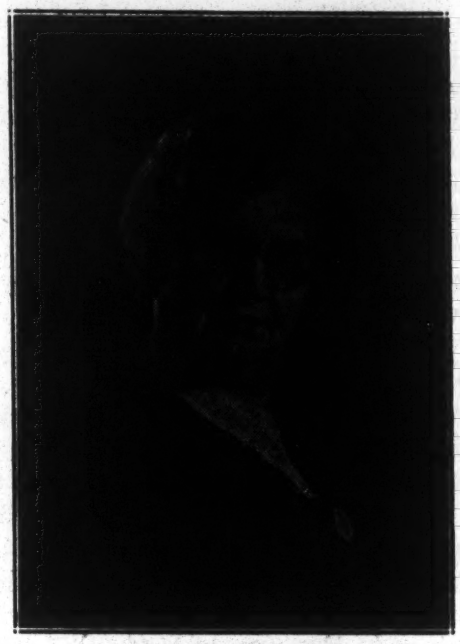
The terms of office of the following expire with this meeting: Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer, Mrs. J. French Kerr, Miss Elizabeth Milligan, Miss Jennie B. Wallace, Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennie B. Wallace,
Recording Secretary.

REPORT OF

STATISTICAL SECRETARY

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1928



MRS. R. E. ENGLISH
Statistical Secretary

WE BEGIN our Report with our closing words of one short year ago. "In taking invoice of our resources we must make an accounting of every woman within our influence, and every talent in the keeping of every woman; if we do not avail ourselves of all these resources we are to that extent retarding progress."

As missionary organizations have we faithfully taken invoice of all our resources and have we so availed ourselves of them that we have hastened rather than retarded progress during the year? For answer we have recourse only to tabulated results which do not record the heart secrets of love, devotion and unceasing prayer. We wish again to commend the secretaries for their promptness in returning Reports. Thirty-seven arrived before the 15th of April. Owing to the fact that the 15th, was Sabbath, fourteen with perfectly good intentions were a bit belated not arriving until Monday morning. The other six soon followed with satisfactory explanations. There seemed some rivalry as to which should reach us first, for they all came within a few days of each other; regular mail, special delivery and some adopting the more ambitious plan, came by air. The W. M. S. Secretarial reports were an improvement over last year. Cents and ciphers were not written in except in the Thank-Offering column. There were not so many specials to be erased and figures were added more accurately. This cooperation is most encouraging and helpful. Eleven Women's Missionary Societies were organized during the year. Thirteen disbanded or merged leaving 835 organizations—a loss of two. The membership is more encouraging showing a gain of 290 against a loss of 301, the previous year. The W. M. S. now numbers 835 societies with a membership of 25,648. We add to this membership 990 reported in the Extension Department, and have 26,638. How shall the 4,173 reported as non-members be reached or how shall we interest the thousands not considered in any of our columns?

The Young Women report a gain of two societies and 167 members making 480 organizations with a membership of 11,095. Extension Department members numbering 36, added makes a total of 11,131.

The Juniors have not increased in number of societies but have the greatest increase in membership, 384 names being added to the roll. This makes the total membership 12,813 in 502 societies. Seventy-six Little Light Bearers' Organizations with a membership of 1,633 added to the Juniors swell the ranks to 578 societies with 14,446 children organized for Christian training and service. Lack of consecrated leaders is the

problem. May we not fail our Master by failing these His Little Ones! Total organizations 1,893 and 53,933 members in our American Missionary societies. The Missionary Societies of Egypt and India continue to grow and their reports are most interesting. India gained one Women's, one Young Women's and three Junior Societies. While the Women report twenty-five members less than last year, the Young Women gained 65, and the Juniors 150 members making a gain of five societies and 190 members. India has fifty-four Women's Missionary Societies with a membership of 1,100. Three Young Women's societies with 160 members, and twenty-seven Junior societies with 834. A total of 84 societies with a membership of 2,094. Rawal Pindi Presbyterial shows the greatest increase in membership. India's money contribution this year was $1,506, an increase of $200.00. Egypt also reports growth except in Young Women's societies. The Women report a gain of sixteen societies and 387 members while the Juniors again come to the front with a gain of eight societies and 694 members. A total gain of twenty societies and 1,081 members.

The Young Women have three societies with 514 members. Total for Egypt sixty-one organizations and a membership of 4,375. Thebes Presbyterial made the greatest gain in membership. Egypt's Missionary offering this year was $5,674. Her Harem Report shows seventy-four workers in twelve cities and districts. These labor among women and girls —Protestants, Copts, Moslems, Jewesses and other faiths and nationalities. Three classes are reached, First, regular pupils in homes numbering more than 8,000. Second, the regular hearers numbering about 4500. Third, irregular hearers. The average attendance of these at 1,450 meetings being 11,480. How our missionaries must long for more helpers as they look into the faces of 24,000 women and girls—their sisters and ours. May they be encouraged by the promise, "My word shall not return unto me void."

The Standard of Efficiency while recognized to a greater or less extent in forty-six Presbyterials has fewer societies reporting than last year. Cleveland and Wisconsin are the only Presbyterials with every society reporting on the standard of efficiency. We advise a closer study of these ten points by our congregational societies. Our Literature Secretary will be glad to furnish leaflets on same.

The money contributed to Congregational and District work does not pass through the hands of the General Treasurer but is reported in Statistical Report. $6,281.00 is reported for Congregational and $4,860 for District work. Making a total of $11,141.00. This is $2,915.00 less than previous year. Barrels and boxes of supplies to the number of 2035 have been sent to needy institutions. This is an increase of 182 over last year.

We regret there are not more Presbyterials on the Honor Roll but realize there are sometimes conditions hard to overcome. However, we note that it is not the number of women in a congregation but their degree of missionary spirit which solves the problem. Thirteen Presbyterials, Albany, Argyle, Colorado, Idaho, Indiana, Indiana Northern, Kiskiminetas, Los Angeles, Oklahoma, Spokane, Uncompahgre, Ohio N. W. and Wisconsin continue on the Honor Roll, while Steubenville, Mercer and Delaware are so honored this year and receive new Pennants. Mercer Presbyterial received the honor through instilling life into a cold congregation while Delaware came through the death of an old one.

For two years the silver trophy cup has been awarded to Presbyterials having the highest percentage of net increase in membership. Concordia and Frankfort have been thus honor-

ed. As the Cup awarded for percentage of gain would naturally revert to the smaller Presbyterials your Statistical Secretary was granted the privilege of dividing the Presbyterials into classes "A" & "B", and awarding two cups.

We are sorry to record that twenty-five Presbyterials show no increase in membership. We shall give due credit to these by name when they rise above this class. By elimination we have thirty-two Presbyterials to be considered. In class "B" consisting of those Presbyterials having less than 700 members we have twenty-one, and in class "A" having over 700, eleven Presbyterials. During the year five Presbyterials have grown from Class "B" into the "A" class. These are Chicago, Colorado, Des-Moines, Hudson and Puget Sound. Those deserving honorable mention in the "B" class are Hudson, Wisconsin, Detroit, Omaha and Boston. In the "A" class, Butler and Los Angeles Presbyterials rank high.

We are happy to award Colorado Presbyterial the Cup for highest percentage of net increase in membership in the "B" class and Kiskiminetas Presbyterial in the "A" class, also a cup for the same high attainment.

Many notes of interest and leaflets showing missionary activities over the Church have been received but probably one of the most helpful is the four page quarterly "Wisconsin" published in the interests of the Missionary Societies of the United Presbyterian Church of Wisconsin. We do not wonder at Wisconsin Presbyterial's continued high standard of efficiency.

We desire for the women yet holding aloof from the missionary activities of the Church that they may speedily come to understand that interest in the cause of Missions is not a garment to be put on and off at pleasure or a side issue of life but that missions is a vital part of every Christian's life.

If your father left in his will an inheritance for you and your sister being at a distance could receive her inheritance only if you sent it to her, would you feel free to decide whether to send it to her or not? If you did send it to her would you take considerable credit to yourself? We talk about the "poor" people—the heathen —who have not heard of Christ. Why "poor"? Because they have not received their share of the inheritance which our Father has left us to give them. How reasonable are our Father's requests! May we not be slow to believe and obey.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. R. E. English,

Statistical Secretary.

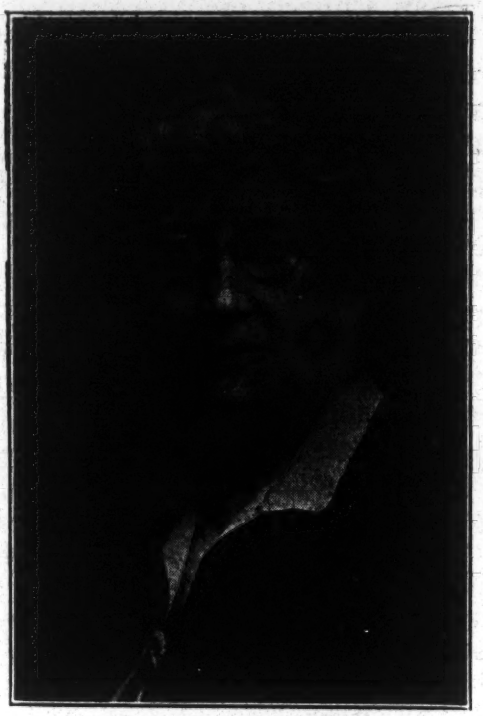
"We are not here to play, to dream, to drift,
We have hard work to do and loads to lift.
Shun not the struggle; face it, 'tis God's gift.
Be strong! Be strong!"

—Maltie Babcock.

REPORT OF

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1928



MRS. J. D. SANDS
President and Financial Secretary

BECAUSE of the action of the Women's General Missionary Society many years ago, that all the money contributed for missions under its direction should be used for that purpose, it was necessary to plan some way to carry the administration expenses of the organization. For several years each member of the Board of Directors paid for the expenses of her special department out of her own resources and also contributed pro rata for the rent of the board room but as the work grew and expenses increased this could no longer be done. Requests were often made to grant loans to needy congregations struggling to build churches and as there were sometimes small cash balances in the Treasurer's accounts at the end of the year, it was decided to grant such loans whenever possible. Interest of 4½% for the first year and 5% thereafter was charged on these loans and formed the basis of what is called our Contingent Fund. Later the rate of interest was raised to 5% for the first year and 6% if the loan was carried longer. The payments on loans are made to the Finance Secretary who forwards them to the General Treasurer but the interest is used in the work of administration. No new loans were made this year and only eight loans have been carried. Only one congregation has been able to reduce its principal and the amount of interest from this source has been smaller than for many years, amounting to but $264.00.

Other income is obtained from interest on loans, interest on Thank-Offering, bank balances and surplus funds, sale of Thank-Offering supplies, contributions from Presbyterials and sometimes gifts from individuals.

Presbyterials are to be commended for the enlarged offerings they have made during the past few years. It is only a few years since it was reported that only one presbyterial had sent in an offering to the expense fund but this year not one name is missing from the list of 57 presbyterials enrolled in the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America.

STATEMENT OF LOANS AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

Congregation	Balance May 1, 1927	Payments on Loan	Interest	Balance
Brockton, Mass.	$ 1425.00			$ 1425.00
Twelfth, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.	2260.00			2260.00
Indiana Harbor, Indiana	2100.00		$105.00	2100.00
Paterson, New Jersey	6000.00			6000.00
Highland Park, Boise, Idaho	1500.00		75.00	1500.00
Colorado Springs, Colorado	1400.00		84.00	1400.00
McClellan Heights, Davenport, Ia.	850.00			850.00
First, Akron, Ohio	6500.00	$1900.00		4600.00
Total	$22085.00	$1900.00	$264.00	$20185.00

STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

For Year Ending April 15, 1928

Balance on hand May 1, 1927		$ 2294.48
Receipts By		
Contingent Fund from Presbyterials	$ 1635.84	
Interest from Mrs. J. B. Hill, Treasurer	8625.97	
New World Movement	1560.00	
*Payments on Loans to Congregations	1900.00	
Interest on Loans to Congregations	264.00	
Sale of Thank-Offering Supplies	222.00	
1926 Convention Offering	122.95	
Cash Telephone Calls	9.80	14350.06
		$16644.54
Disbursements To		
*General Treasurer, Payments on Loans to Congregations	$ 1900.00	
Rent of Offices	1248.00	
Salaries of Clerks in Offices	4227.00	
General Office Expense	532.68	
Rent of Safe Deposit Boxes	42.00	
Fidelity Bonds for Treasurer and Secretaries	160.00	
Travel Expenses of Members of Board and of Officers of Convention to Pittsburg, Kansas Convention and Delegates to General Assembly and Conferences	1822.00	
Taxes on Plot of Land Received by Bequest	13.60	
Auditors	405.00	
Junior Special Boxes	58.99	
Envelopes and Postage on Life Membership Certificates	71.50	
Mailing Tubes	28.51	
Pittsburg Convention Program Expenses and Janitor	79.74	
Junior Exhibit Expense	62.64	
Loving Cup and Pennant	18.00	

Printing:—		
Prayer Group Letters and Cards	23.25	
Thank-Offering Leaflets and Pageants	1051.48	
Statistical Blanks and Reports	649.30	
*July Number of Womens Missionary Magazine	2069.18	
Treasurer's Annual Report, Vouchers, Receipt Books	54.50	
Reports for General Assembly	80.85	
Board Stationery	407.20	$15005.23
Balance on hand April 15, 1928		$ 1639.31
*Repayments on Loans to Congregations were checked out at once to General Treasurer	$ 1900.00	
Payments on July Magazine	2069.18	
Deducted from Disbursements	3969.18	
Actual Administration Expenses for the Year		$11,036.05

RECEIPTS FROM PRESBYTERIALS

Albany	$ 12.50	New York	2.00
Allegheny	125.00	First Ohio	26.30
Argyle	14.10	Ohio Northwestern	17.55
Arkansas Valley	24.05	Oklahoma	11.00
Beaver Valley	90.00	Omaha	14.95
Big Spring	10.00	Oregon	14.00
Boston	20.70	Pawnee	13.70
Butler	49.30	Philadelphia	53.65
Caledonia	25.00	Puget Sound	17.00
Cedar Rapids	20.00	Rock Island	15.70
Chartiers	82.40	San Francisco	11.78
Chicago	25.45	Spokane	3.00
Cleveland	75.00	Steubenville	32.85
College Springs	50.60	Tennessee	1.75
Colorado	26.00	Texas	6.00
Concordia	2.05	Uncompahgre	2.00
Conemaugh	31.85	Westmoreland	49.00
Delaware	30.70	Wheeling	33.00
Des Moines	26.00	Wisconsin	8.00
Detroit	21.20	Vermont	.70
Frankfort	4.50	Xenia	25.95
Hudson	5.00		
Idaho	6.00	Total	$1635.34
Southern Illinois	27.65		
Indiana	17.40		
Northern Indiana	3.80		
Kansas City	27.40		
Keokuk	29.16		
Kiskiminetas	27.50		
Lake	41.20		
Los Angeles	31.35		
Mansfield	23.00		
Mercer	27.00		
Monmouth	21.60		
Monongahela	180.00		
Muskingum	41.00		

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. D. Sands,
Financial Secretary.

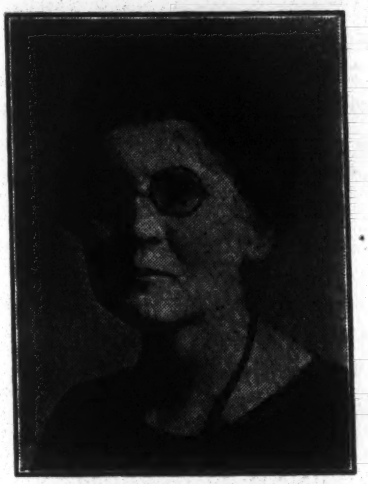
I have audited the accounts of Mrs. J. D. Sands, Financial Secretary, for the fiscal year ending April 15, 1928 and find everything correct as recorded and as summarized in the foregoing statements.

May 5, 1928. A. F. Sawhill,
Auditor.

REPORT OF

LITERATURE DEPARTMENT

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1928



MISS ELIZABETH MILLIGAN
Literature Secretary

IT HAS been said that "A missionary fire, burning in the heart of *one person*, is all that is necessary to set any church on fire for missions."

There is much truth in this statement. Most of us have experienced, at one time or another, the glow that emanates from such missionary enthusiasm. Perhaps the reason why more has not been realized from such experiences is that the fire, having once been kindled, has not been properly fed. Missionary literature is the fuel which feeds the fire of missionary enthusiasm. Not until we *know* will we *feel* and *pray* and *give* and *go*.

What has been done this year to *keep aglow*, in our own hearts, the fire of missionary enthusiasm, and to kindle the glow in the hearts of others?

PRESBYTERIAL LITERATURE SECRETARIES

In the home land, 48 presbyterials reported Presbyterial Literature Secretaries—an increase of *one* over the previous year. Our literature was for sale at 37 presbyterial meetings in 27 presbyterials. This shows that 21 Presbyterial Literature Secretaries did not have literature sales tables at the presbyterial meetings.

A Presbyterial Literature Secretary who does not avail herself of the presbyterial meeting to promote the sale of literature loses a golden opportunity to kindle fires of missionary enthusiasm.

Again we plead that all presbyterial executive committees include an alert, live literature secretary; and that all presbyterial meetings may become centers for the distribution of literature.

LEAFLET LITERATURE

24,500 leaflets were printed this year. Of these, 13,000 were for free distribution. 11,661 leaflets and pageants were sold.

Seven new leaflets, written by missionaries in Egypt and India, were published. They illustrate what our missionaries are doing to make "A Straight Way Toward Tomorrow" for the children and youth of other lands. These leaflets are: "Child-Welfare Notes," "Delta Car Glimpses", and "Literacy and Literature in Egypt." from the Egyptian field; and "Companions in Her Villages," "Training Home Makers," "Boota," and "The Bible, the Best Seller," from India.

We must depend on the help of every missionary society if our literature is to reach its greatest influence. It is of little avail to have "57 varieties" of literature unless every available bulletin board announces the fact. We must let everybody know how important is the literature by the frequency and thoroughness with which it is advertised. Will you not do your share in helping to make our efforts to provide leaflet literature worth while?

PRAYER CYCLE

Our Prayer Cycle continues to have a place in the devotional life of our members; 6508 copies were distributed during the fiscal year. Only one society reported "Every member has one." The report blanks show that in the 52 presbyterials reporting the Prayer Cycles were used by 291 women's missionary societies, either in the devotional service of the society, or by the individual members.

There can be nothing more productive of Christian efficiency than the habit of daily, definite prayer for the progress of the Kingdom. The chief purpose of the Prayer Cycle is to help us to pray definitely and unitedly for our own denominational missionary work. It is designed for daily use in individual and family devotions. It also serves as a missionary directory, as it presents the work of all the missionary boards of the church.

Pray that its use may be greatly multiplied and that it may be blessed to the strengthening of missionary interest and the development of missionary intercession.

MISSION STUDY

As the theme for last year's mission study, home and foreign, was the essentially missionary character of the Church and its duty to apply the missionary spirit to the great needs of the world, many women's societies used the two text books jointly. 1719 adult books were sold and 613 junior books.

The new adult foreign study book is "Friends of Africa." While the authorship is credited to Jean Kenyon Mackenzie, three other writers have made valuable contributions to the book. Each chapter is introduced by J. H. Oldham in a "Foreword", preparing one for a better comprehension of the chapter following. The third chapter, "The Friend as Doctor", is written by Mrs. Donald Fraser, M. D., and Mrs. Frederick B. Bridgeman has made her contribution in the fifth chapter, "Friends in Exile."

Those who were privileged to study "An African Trail" may well look forward with delight to the coming year's study course; and we can safely assure all others that there is not one dull page in the book.

"What Next in Home Missions", by William P. Shriver, is also a most interesting and informing book. The author places the whole problem of the mission of the church at home before us in a very comprehensive and convincing way and makes very clear the individual responsibility of helping make American civilization really Christian.

We may look forward to a very profitable year with these two study books if we only "have a mind to work."

"Camp Fires in the Congo" is the text book for the older juniors. It is written by Mrs. John M. Springer, a missionary of twenty-six year's experience in the Congo. In a very spirited manner she tells the story of the lives of boys and girls who have come out of the darkness of pagan Africa, into the light of Christ's Gospel.

The book for beginners is "David and Susi," by Mrs. Lucy W. Peabody. It is the story of David Livingstone and his faithful black friend and follower.

The new home text books for juniors and beginners are studies in Alaska. The junior book is "Under the North Star," by Katherine Gladfelter, and the one for beginners is "Windows into Alaska," by Gertrude Chandler Warner. These are both teacher's editions and are project courses, giving stories and lessons, worship services, and suggestions for pupil activities.

In this age of substitutes no substitute has been found for the mission study class in the development of a vital, permanent missionary interest.

But study classes are largely dependent for their effectiveness on well qualified leaders. For the training of these leaders, opportunity is offered in Missionary Conferences, summer schools and institutes. Also, literature on the subject is abundant and excellent, so that it would seem that anyone might develop into an effective leader if there is a *will* for the accomplishment of it. It will take faith and earnestness and tact; it will take prayer: but with these it can be done. In every society there is someone with a talent for leadership; someone in it with ordinary teaching ability. Talents are developed only by use. In Christ's parable of the talents the Master required an accounting even from the man with *one* talent; and be sure He will require an accounting from each member of the missionary society of the use she makes of her talent. She who buries it, loses it. You know, "The grave of the buried talent lies not far this side the grave of him who buried it."

What a transformation would be brought about if there could be a good mission study class in every church! What wouldn't happen if we could have a good school of missions in every congregation!

A good United Presbyterian who used to give his tenth more or less religiously increased it to a fourth after one year of mission study, and to a third after another year. Giving ceases to be an obligation and becomes a privilege when we begin to have a close walk with Jesus Christ and when we know the needs of His children. "All mission study broadens the horizon, deepens the sympathies, and places new values on life." True zeal for God is inseparable from knowledge, and knowledge takes time and effort to acquire.

"God grant us wisdom in these coming days,
And eyes unsealed, that we clear visions see
Of that new world that He would have us build,
To Life's ennoblement and His high ministry."

The following statistics represent the operations of the Literature Department for the year ending April 15, 1928:

New Supplies

Prayer Cycles	7,000
Mission Study Books	8,268
Helps for class leaders	370
Leaflets	31,852
Pageants	1,964
Booklets	2,012
Posters, Games, etc	93
Maps	67
Contribution Envelopes	48,800
Junior Pins	500

Supplies Distributed

Prayer Cycles	6,508
Mission Study Books	2,332
Helps for class leaders	462
Leaflets	9,367
Pageants	2,094
Facts and Figures of Women's Work	200
Presidents Book	69
Contribution Envelopes	66,200
Budget cards	5,900
Pins, Senior and Junior	99
Costumes Loaned	108
Maps	121
Post cards	88
Statistical Reports and Magazines	58
Posters, Games, etc.	64
Junior Manuals	49
Record Books	35
Junior Diplomas	268
Wall Rolls	33
L. L. Bearers Supplies	605

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

For Year Ending April 15, 1928

Bal. on hand, April 30, 1927	$ 859.14½
Receipts:	
From sales	2695.07½
Interest on Deposits	14.11
Total	$3568.33

Disbursements:	
Mission study books, senior	$ 903.57
Mission study books, junior	213.50
Helps for leaders, senior	28.20
Helps for leaders, junior	12.22
Posters, pictures, etc.	32.75
Printing	690.27
Postage	191.29
Leaflets	151.10
Express and freight	23.95
Junior pins	117.81
Office	31.90
Maps	52.23
Magazine subscriptions	11.80
Magazines to mission fields	98.00
To Junior Missionary Magazine	500.00
Refunds	8.47
Total	$3067.06
Total Receipts	$3568.33
Total Disbursements	$3067.06
Bal. on hand, April 15, 1928	$ 501.27
Cash on hand	14.79
	$ 486.48
Check out	4.60
Bank Balance	$ 491.08

I have audited the accounts and records of financial operations in the Literature Department for the fiscal year ending April 15, 1928, and find everything correct and as represented in above statement.

(Signed)

A. F. Sawhill, Auditor.

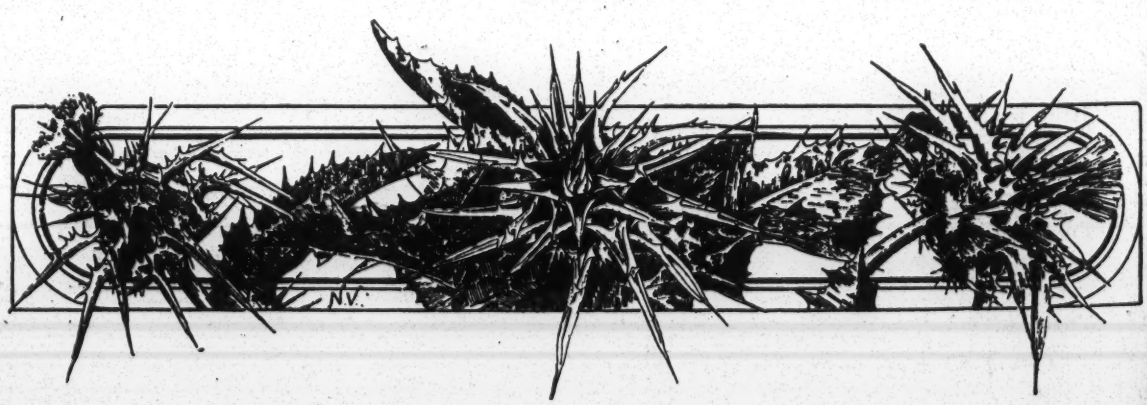
Pittsburgh, Pa.
April 20, 1928.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Milligan,
Literature Secretary.

A MISSION STUDY EXCURSION

You are invited to join a great sight-seeing excursion. "See America First" with William P. Shriver, showing every corner of Home Mission territory. Then start on a cruise to Equatorial Africa under the direction of Jean Kenyon Mc-Kenzie.



REPORT OF

YOUNG WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT

MISS IDA B. LITTLE
Young Women's Secretary

AN EXCEPTIONAL experience is ours this year, the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Department. It may be that soon after Mrs. Doremus called missionary women into unified endeavor and Mrs. Sarah Foster-Hanna roused the women of our own Church to the necessity for combined effort on the part of the women, there was a thought for independent work for the young women.

The pioneers dreamed dreams and worked. We have realized the "dreams come true" and effort expended years ago has been rewarded.

ORGANIZATION

In this "silver" year 480 societies greet you! Of these 27 are new, being distributed through twenty-one presbyterials! (One each in Allegheny, Arkansas Valley, Beaver Valley, Cedar Rapids, Conemaugh, Delaware, Des Moines, Southern Illinois, Lake, Los Angeles, Monongahela, Oklahoma, Omaha, Tennessee and Westmoreland; two each, Big Spring, Cleveland, Keokuk, Ohio Northwestern and Wheeling.) This wide spread growth bodes well for the future. A sense of failure is the feeling when disbanding of societies is mentioned. Twenty-four on the roll last year are, to all intents, and purposes dead. Perhaps many of their members have enrolled in other organizations. Six societies have transferred their activities to the W. M. S. division.

The Statistical Report will show sixteen societies as sending no report. Too late to be included on its pages came word from two widely separated sections, Tennessee and Alabama, and California and Washington.

We would that every society would practice promptness in everything.

MEMBERSHIP

11,095 young women, whose names are now on the roll, make their salaams! And our goal for the year, 11,000 members, was passed! 2,207 young women were reported as *possibilities*. May this year see them *realities!* There is no time so good as the present to do right.

ATTENDANCE

The thermometer was off balance when read last year or the nurse misread. The average attendance was a little under twenty-five per cent! *So* aenemic! This year shows an upward trend,—thirty-eight plus. Is the danger line passed? The great lack seems to be "spiritual depression". *Prayer* registers low. One thousand and ninty-three young women possess Prayer Cycles! Forty-nine societies use it somewhat! Thirty presbyterials report ninety-five mission study classes with one thousand four hundred and seventy-one members. A one out of ten proportion indicates something lacking. Twenty-five hundred Magazine readers! Many so-

cieties do not follow directions in the Magazine. Why wonder at lack of interest! Every sickness has a cause. Find the remedy and apply it. Presto! Health!

GOALS

The Standard of Efficiency has been an incentive to many societies since its inception. Twelve societies claim one hundred per cent and thirty-nine between ninety and ninety-nine. In the former group are Latrobe; First McKeesport; First Erie; Woodland; Philadelphia; Taylorstown; College Hill; Beaver Falls; First Mary Clokey Porter, N. S., Pittsburgh; all of Pennsylvania; Cuyahoga Falls and Tabernacle, Youngstown, Ohio; and Somonauk and Evanston of Illinois; eight presbyterials. The thirty-nine "Ninety to ninety-nine" ones are scattered over twenty presbyterials, (twenty-three separate presbyterials for both groups). Ten presbyterials reported sixteen societies with per cents varying, but all under ninety per cent. Why should not every society *attempt* to qualify?

The *pennant* offered to any presbyterial fulfilling certain conditions could not be awarded last year nor can this anniversary year present one. The very first point, "A circle or Y. W. Society in every congregation of the presbyterial" has not been attained by any presbyterial. Reach it and the remaining ones are fairly possible. A motto reads, "It pays to advertise". The pennant points have been given over and over to societies, conventions and the Magazine. Results should be reached!

COMPARATIVE STATISTICS

	1927	1928
Number of societies in		
America	478	480
Egypt	6	3
India	2	3
Membership in America	10928	11095
Egypt	674	514
India	95	160
Number of new societies in		
America	34	27
India	1	1
Number of societies		
Disbanded	15	24
Merged or transferred	4	6
Returned to roll		1
Not reporting	28	16
Number of new Sr. Life		
Memberships	148	156
Life Directorships		1
Number of subscriptions to		
Womens Missionary Maga.	2300	2283
Number of boxes or barrels		
sent	325	369
Number of societies report-		
ing on Pennant Contest		201
Standard of Efficiency	143	185
Reporting 100%	7	12
90 to 99%	17	39
Number of societies report-		
ing contributions to all		
7 Departments	158	182
Y. W. Special Fund	354	273
Thank-Offering	359	415
Presbyterial Expense Fund	290	301
W. G. M. S. Expense Fund	213	213
Isaiah 41:6 Fund	233	238

MISSIONARIES AND VOLUNTEERS

With increased knowledge and interest, especially with a renewed spiritual life, the fields at home and abroad should be adequately occupied.

With fifteen or more presbyterials failing to return the information blank, an incomplete report is the result. Of those now in service once members of a Young Women's Society at home, but seventy names are given:—India twenty-three, Egypt twenty-seven, Abyssinia six, Sudan three, China three, Persia one, and America seven. Twenty-two possible candidates for service were reported.

COMPARATIVE FIGURES THAT SHOULD INTEREST ALL

	1927	1928
Number of girls or young wom-		
en not enrolled in a society	1905	2207
Mission study classes	116	95
Membership	1363	1471

Presbyterials reporting classes	37	30
Number of young women using Bible questions	81	301
Readers of Young Women's Department	2326	2504
Average attendance at monthly meetings	2724	4249
Percentage	25	38
Number former members now in missionary service	93	70
Volunteers	37	22
Presbyterials furnishing missionaries	30	10
Number of young women having Prayer Cycles	1587	1093
Societies using Prayer Cycles	81	49
Number of information blanks returned	361	229
Presbyterials sending none		10
Presbyterial receiving pennant for 100% record	0	0

YOUNG WOMEN'S SPECIAL

$8,619.25 for the special fund, hence another goal reached and $9.-25 over! Miss Mary Coie of Wadi Halfa received her *full* salary from the Special. The other salaries paid are those of Mrs. Ruth Lobaugh Walker, Gorei, Abyssinia, Mrs. Eva Johnson Adams, R. N., Henderson, N. C., the matron of dormitory, Frenchburg, Ky., and Miss Laura Sawhill, Spokane, Wash., $4,260.00. The other object, Pasrur Girls' Boarding School, India, requires $4,350.00 annually from the Special. Caledonia, Chicago, Detroit, Lake, Texas and Wisconsin presbyterials deserve special mention, having paid at the rate of $1.00 per member.

REGULAR OBJECTS

The Seven Departments received an increase of $1,118.00 over last year, or a total of $14,106.00; one hundred eighty-two societies paying to each of the Seven Departments. Every society might contribute one dollar to each!

There are more than one hundred and fifty societies that failed to pay the presbyterial expense fund; at least none was reported by them. This assessment is the "membership dues" of a society. To be faithful in everything is more commendable than to do big things for one or two objects only. The total contributions, including the Young Women's Special Fund, were $37,346.25.

THANK-OFFERING

The reported Thank-Offering was not quite so large as last year's. It included one hundred and fifty-six Senior Life Memberships, one Junior and one Life Directorship, the amount, $38,117.76. The grand total was $75,464.01, which includes both the regular funds and the Thank-Offering.

Egypt reported three societies with a membership of five hundred and fourteen and offerings $596.29, $343.-94 being Thank-Offering. India, three societies and one hundred and sixty members. Contributions, $56.80, $27.-75 Thank-Offering The money gathered in the fields is disbursed abroad so is not included in the grand total. Contributions by Home Mission churches for congregational purpose were $731.00. District Work, $1,649.00. These amounts are not found in the totals either.

CONTRIBUTIONS

	1927	1928
Mrs. George Moore Memorial Fund	$ 262.00	$ 121.00
Foreign Missions	4410.00	4778.00
Foreign Salaries	11370.00	10620.00
Home Missions	3762.00	3987.00
Indian Missions	1188.00	1282.00
Freedmen Missions	1606.00	1718.00
Parsonage	677.00	794.00
Ministerial Relief	862.00	991.00
Temperance and Reform	483.00	556.00
Young Women's Special Fund (Treas. Acc't)	8330.50	8619.25
Presbyterial Expense Fund	957.00	1025.00
W. G. M. S. Expense Fund	407.00	460.00

Isaiah 41:6 Fund	446.00	456.00
New World Movement	1387.00	933.00
Orphan's Home	262.00	371.00
Columbia Hospital	290.00	342.00
Aged People's Home ..	245.00	293.00
Total	$37166.50	$37346.25
Thank-Offering	38434.67	38117.76
Grand Total	$75601.17	$75464.01

Not included in above totals are:

For congregational work (Home Mission churches)	$ 693.00	$ 731.00
District work	1528.00	1649.00
EGYPT		
Offerings	$107.58	$252.35
Thank-Offerings	441.30	343.94
Total	$548.88	$596.29
INDIA		
Offerings	$13.78	$29.05
Thank-Offering	3.51	27.75
Total	$17.29	$56.80
Congregational work (By Home Mission Churches) ..	$ 731.00	
District Work	1649.00	

A shepherd boy in Southern France heard a voice commanding him to build a bridge over a wide, rapid river and he began to build. His friends laughed at him, but he was not deterred, for was he not building for the safety and comfort of others? Later, these friends and neighbors began to think the voice might be divine and, one by one, they joined him as builders. At last the bridge was completed, but the shepherd boy was gone, a chapel on one of the piers being his final resting place. His dream came true! His faith and works were rewarded!

What a challenge to those young women outside the missionary society pale are the thousands of faithful ones who are working out their vision, who have obeyed the voice, "Go ye"! May those who are standing by, perhaps making light of the task, feel constrained, by the earnestness of their friends, to join gladly in the great work for "Others"!

STUDENTS USE SUMMER VACATION TO STUDY FACTORY GIRLS' WORK AND LIFE

New York, July 10—The group of young college women who are toiling "somewhere in Chicago," in factory jobs to study industry, are reported hard at work. Last Wednesday the group who are forfeiting part of their summer vacations started their round of factories in search for work of an unskilled nature. Under the leadership of Miss Freda Seigworth, of Buffalo, each young woman is not only to find her own work and punch the factory time clock the full working hours, but is expected to live within her wages for the six-week period. Thus prevailing costs of food and shelter and what the low wages of the working girl of the unskilled class can buy, are included in the industrial close-up of working conditions.

The project which started July 6th with a house party near Chicago, is under the auspices of the National Student Council of the Young Women's Christian Association. Over week-ends, labor and other industrial problems will be discussed by men and women well-known as leaders in their specialized fields before the group.

"The project is not a lark," said Miss Seigworth. "Tired feet and weary bodies may be a new experience to many of our members. It is also far from a money-making scheme. Each girl barely covers expenses. This is the eighth year in which, through the Y. W. C. A. students have used a part of their vacation to go into the industrial ranks."

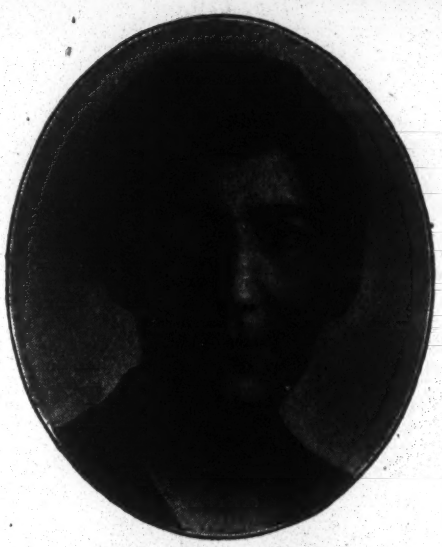
Qualifications set for each member of the group were: good health, college education, knowledge of social sciences, and seriousness of purpose. One of the aims of the group is "to make concrete the academic theories of the class room and to know in body and mind what it means to be a part of the industrial system."

—Y. W. C. A. Bulletin.

REPORT OF

THE WOMENS MISSIONARY MAGAZINE

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 1, 1928



MRS. JOHN P. WHITE
Editor of The Womens Missionary Magazine

THE YEAR 1927 marked the fortieth anniversary of *The Womens Missionary Magazine*. Beginning with the W. G. M. S. convention in Pittsburg, Kansas, in June the celebrations were carried from coast to coast during the succeeding months. There were birthday cakes, where forty candles and green and white color schemes were in evidence. Now that the Magazine has reached the mature age of forty we trust she is entering an even wider sphere of usefulness than ever before.

The constant aim throughout the year has been to give our readers full information concerning the work of the W. G. M. S. through the monthly reports of the secretaries, to bring fresh news from the workers at the front, to give facts concerning world-wide missionary progress, to supply abundant helps for the monthly programs, to promote greater efficiency in societies through suggestions and tried plans given in the Methods department; in short to give much information so that every woman who studies her Bible and reads the *Womens Missionary Magazine* will be "thoroughly furnished to all good works."

We have been pleased to notice frequent quotations in other periodicals, from our Magazine. One little sketch, "The Reader", written by Mrs. Harriet Boobyer was printed in leaflet form by another denomination. The Presbyterian Historical Society of Texarkana, Texas, through its curator asked to be placed on our mailing list and requested a file of the *Womens Missionary Magazine* as well as a file of reports of the W. G. M. S. for the archives of the society.

We still look forward hopefully to an increased circulation. Each presbyterial was asked to set a goal for new subscriptions for 1928. Many of these have reported a splendid advance.

We are working on definite plans for the completion of the Mrs. George Moore Memorial Fund.

Our thanks are due the Board Secretaries, the Co-editors, the missionaries and all others who have contributed to our pages; those who have advertised in our columns; the publishers and office assistants who have helped us in many ways and above all the heavenly Father for His manifest blessing throughout the year.

Mrs. John P. White,
Editor.

MRS FANNIE F. MOORE
Treasurer of Womens Missionary Magazine

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE WOMENS MISSIONARY MAGAZINE OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

For the Year Ending, March 31, 1928

Receipts

Magazine Subscriptions year ending March 31, 1928	$12,045.39	
Programs	128.48	
Obituary Notices	40.80	
Advertising	316.87	
Interest Mrs. George Moore Memorial Fund	349.50	
Interest Magazine Fund—Mrs. Hill	300.00	
From Mrs. H. C. Campbell	50.00	
Sundries	68.52	$13,299.56
Total Receipts		$13,299.56

Disbursements

Printing, Cuts, Engraving and mailing the Magazine	$10,897.00	
Postage	32.00	
Mission Studies	221.00	
Delegate Fund	170.00	
Books, Posters, etc.	28.21	
Current Expenses	1,575.00	$12,923.21
Total Disbursements		$12,923.21

Net gain for year ending March 31, 1928	$ 376.35
Cash balance end of year March 31, 1927	$ 2,596.20
Cash balance year ending March 31, 1928	$ 2,972.55
Cash gain March 31, 1928	$ 376.35

Respectfully submitted,
Fannie F. Moore,
Treasurer

I hereby certify that I have made a careful audit of the books and all accounts, of the Womens Missionary Magazine, published at Xenia, Ohio, as kept by the Treasurer, checking all receipts, and expenditures, and find them correct, and all entries clear and explicit, and wish to compliment the treasurer on care she takes in the records.

Xenia, Ohio. April 10, 1928.

T. D. Kyle, Accountant.

The Magazine Shower at the W. G. M. S. Convention in Buffalo brought 150 new subscriptions.

Every society is asked to set a goal for subscriptions for the coming year. See Report of Committee on Recommendations, page 26.

REPORT OF

THE JUNIOR MISSIONARY MAGAZINE

APRIL 15, 1927 TO APRIL 16, 1928

MRS. JOSEPH M. HEAGEN
Junior Magazine Editor and Business Manager

WITH the December 1928 issue, the Junior Missionary Magazine will have completed its thirtieth volume. Thirty years of service to the girls and boys of the United Presbyterian Church.

Many of our first readers are today carrying on the work of the W. G. M. S. at home and abroad.

It has been and is today the aim of the Magazine to inspire and cultivate in the children of our church a desire to help the neglected children of the world, especially in our own mission fields; helping them spiritually, mentally and physically. Because of this aim we gladly give much space to "Our Far Away Friends", and they have most generously supplied us with excellent stories, letters and pictures.

Each month our General Secretary speaks to the Juniors through one of our pages, thus keeping the Juniors in close touch with the work of other Junior Societies.

Through the "Lesson Notes" and "Something To Do" pages, Junior leaders are furnished varied program helps.

We are slowly reaching our goal—A Junior Missionary Magazine in every United Presbyterian home where there are juniors.

We thank all who have contributed so generously to our pages; to the courteous and prompt service of the John Crawford Park Printing Company and we thank our Heavenly Father for His wonderful guidance and blessing.

We ask of you, the members of this 1928 W. G. M. S. Convention, a hearty cooperation in giving to the children of our church this monthly missionary publication, prepared especially for them.

MAGAZINE READERS

(Tune: "Little Sunbeams")

1. We think you give us Juniors
   As we grow up so,—so,
   The most delightful reading
   That anyone can know.
   You want us to be knowing
   Of missions everywhere,
   That we might take the places
   Of workers here and there.

Chorus:

Oh, yes, we are the readers
Of the Magazine so dear,
We want you all to help us
Find readers every year.

2. "Our Far Away Friends" tell us
   The many things they do
   That we might want to help them
   Their daily tasks to do.
   So we will keep on praying
   And give our offerings, too,
   That all those little children
   May know of Jesus, too.

Chorus:

3. The "Lesson Notes" are needed
To make our meetings go.
And oh, the happy faces
Life member pages show.
And if for something snappy
Or something new to do
There are stories, poems a plenty
For every one of you.

Chorus:

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE JUNIOR MISSIONARY MAGAZINE
April 15, 1927 to April 16, 1928

RECEIPTS

Bal. April 15, 1927,	$ 296.40
Received from subscriptions, April 15, 1927 to April 15, 1928,	1,054.66
Received from Mrs. J. B. Hill, Treas.	2,200.00
Total Receipts	$3,551.06

DISBURSEMENTS

To John C. Park, printing 12 issues Junior Missionary Magazine (including 150 extra copies)	$2,557.50
To John C. Park for Junior Life Member cuts	336.13
To John C. Park for postage on magazines	114.00
To Reed and Witting, Binding 2 vols. Jr. Miss. Mag.	6.00
Returned check	3.25
Transferred to Shower Barrel	.50
Total disbursed	$3,017.38
Total Receipts	$3,551.06
Total Disbursements	$3,017.38
Bal. April 16, 1928	$ 553.68

Mrs. W. R. McMunn,
Business Manager.

Audited April 30, 1928, for the fiscal year ending April 15, 1928, and found correct.

A. F. Sawhill,
Auditor

FINANCIAL REPORT
MRS. N. WYLIE STEVENSON FUND
April 15, 1927 to April 16, 1928

RECEIPTS

Bal. April 15, 1927	$176.95
Received from Mrs. J. B. Hill, Treas. interest on Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson Fund,	60.00
Total Receipts	$236.95

DISBURSED

To John C. Park for Junior Miss. Mag. cuts,	$ 35.25
Bal. in Monongahela National Bank, April 16, 1928	$201.70

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. W. R. McMunn, Treas.

April 30, 1928. Account audited and found correct.

A. F. Sawhill,
Auditor.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen,
Editor.

CHEER UP!

Sing a song of hope and cheer,
Welcoming another year.
Reck not of the frost and snow—
Life and beauty sleep below.

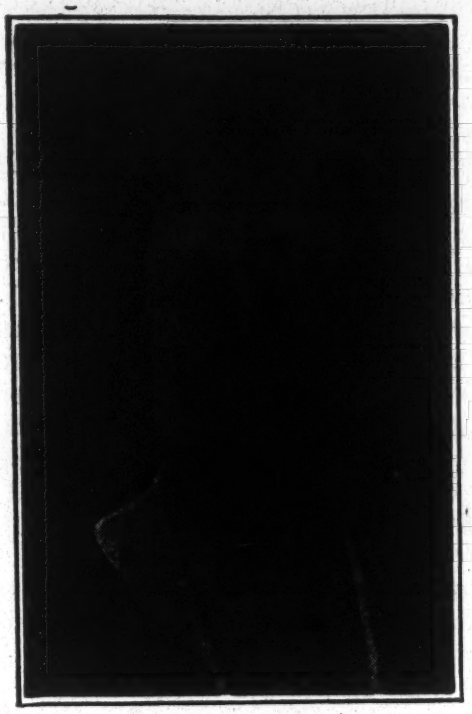
What if days of hardship fall?
God will keep us safe through all;
We are His, and He is here—
Sing thy song, and cast out fear!

"Gordon."

REPORT OF

THE JUNIOR MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

1928



MRS. W. R. McMUNN
Junior Secretary

MR. JOHN FINLEY of the New York Times who has been the President of the National Child Welfare Association has said, "The greatest asset that the world has left is its children. Their right training is its best investment. If the children of all nations can be brought to know one another and so to understand one another, the earth will be full of that knowledge which brings peace, 'as the waters cover the sea.'" Likewise we may say the greatest asset the church has today, or ever has had at any time, is its children. Their right training is the best investment the church can make for the future. Some one has said God has had one and the same method from the beginning. Whenever He wanted a great soul for the great piece of service, He began with a good woman and a little child and trained that child from its babyhood in the things of God. Very probably little Samuel was not over four or five years of age when Hannah committed him to the care of Eli. It was Hannah's training and prayers that fitted little Samuel for hearing God's voice. Eli had failed with his sons. To Jochebed is due the praise for the training of Moses. Susannah Wesley, not Oxford University, laid the foundation of the Methodist revival. Abraham Lincoln and a host of others have given the credit for their greatness to the mothers whose early training laid the foundations upon which their usefulness was built. However important the missionary work given us to do, the training of the children who in a few brief years will be "the church" is one of our most imperative tasks. The future success or failure of our work is dependent upon how we train the children. If we permit them to grow up in ignorance and indifference to the work for which the church is responsible, failure is assured and that failure will be justly laid at our door.

An unusually large number of societies (46) failed this year to send in their reports. How happy we would be if next year we could report every society heard from and on time. We are glad to be able to report some increases this year. During the year 33 new societies have been organized and quite a number of societies have been re-organized . We report, however, 502 societies, the same as a year ago. Some societies, we regret to say, have been dis-organized. Others have become intermediate societies. We have a membership of 12,813 which is a gain of 384 members. Splendid gains have been made in a number of Presbyterials . We are very glad indeed to report 76 Little Light Bearers' societies this year, having a mem-

bership of 1,633—a gain of 12 societies and of 434 members. We hope the interest in the Little Light Bearers will continue and increase. Every junior society should also have as its Cradle Roll a Little Light Bearers' society. It will then be the natural thing for these children to become junior members when they have become six years old. The total membership of the Juniors and Little Light Bearers is 14,446. The total number of societies, 578. There are also 541 Honorary members.

Nineteen Presbyterials have increased their membership. Fifteen of these were in excess of 10%. Four made increases of over 50%. We thought the record last year was excellent. This year's membership increases are still better. Special mention is due Omaha 110% increase; Chicago 58%; Delaware 51%; Wheeling 50%; Wisconsin 34%; Muskingum 23%; Big Spring 22%; Indiana 21%; Puget Sound 21%; Monmouth 20%; Allegheny 18%. Delaware, Monmouth and Indiana made large increases last year so are deserving of great praise. Forty-three societies report 50 or more members. This is an increase of three. Twelve societies have 70 or more members. An increase of two. The largest society continues to be the 6th N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa. which this year numbers 100 members. West Allis, Wis. is second with 95 members; Loveland, Colo. numbers 85. Fairpoint, Ohio and West Allis, Wis. each gained a net increase of 45 members. This is a most excellent record and merits our praise and congratulations upon the good work done. 1,037 juniors have united with the church during the year. This is an increase over last year of 149 and is the largest number reported in the knowledge of the present secretary. 218 Mission Study classes were held. An increase of 24 or 12% which is very good. 305 boxes and barrels were sent out to the various mission stations in addition to those sent from the Junior Exhibit at Pittsburg, Kansas, which was such a splendid, large exhibit. 6,266 Junior Missionary Magazine subscriptions were reported. This is not nearly as many as are actually subscribed for. Five Presbyterials, Conemaugh, Detroit, Ohio North Western, Pawnee and Wisconsin report magazines in every society. This is an increase of one Presbyterial and should be true of every Presbyterial. The Junior Magazine is a necessity, if the best work is to be done. The society receiving the most magazines is 2nd New Castle, Pa. which subscribes for 120 copies. Tabernacle, Youngstown, Ohio is second receiving 100. 417 Life Members were reported. There were 515 sent in to Mrs. Hill and paid for. This is a loss of 69. Last year we reported a gain of 50 over the previous year. I hope every congregational Thank-Offering secretary will put forth a special effort next fall to have the number of Junior Life Members largely increased.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Our contributions, while larger than two years ago, are $964.19 less than last year. Some of the 46 societies who failed to report probably contributed, but we cannot give them credit, for which we are exceedingly sorry. There are 55 societies on the Honor Roll again this year for contributing a total of $100.00 or over. 11 societies again this year have given $200.00 or over. The 1st N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa. again gave the largest Thank-Offering. This year's offering amounting to $444.00. Twenty-five societies are on the Thank-Offering Honor Roll for Thank-Offerings of $100.00 or over. The largest Junior Special offering was given by the 6th N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa. and was $150.00. Two other societies are on the Junior Special Honor Roll. 6th Pittsburgh, Pa., $122.00 and 8th N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa. $120.00. Three years

ago two societies gave to every one of the seven Departments of Work. Two years ago the number was increased to six. This year 35 societies have contributed to every department. We are pleased with this record. All departments of our work are not equally needy, but all require our support and the children are being taught to support all the work intelligently. To the different Departments of Work at home, the juniors have given $2,345.00. To Foreign work $1,308.00 has been given in addition to the $4,440.00 contributed to the Junior Special. The Thank-Offering amounted to $13,167.34. A Grand Total of $21,060.34. In addition to this $161.00 was given to congregational work and $345.00 to district work. Contributions to various outside objects were reported but of course are not included in this report. One society reports a total of $5.00 given to W. G. M. S. work and a contribution of $50.00 to congregational work. This was not in a Home Mission church. The juniors are auxilliary to the W. G. M. S. As individual church members they owe first an obligation to support their own congregations. As societies, their funds are pledged to the support of the missionary work carried on by the W. G. M. S.

COMPARATIVE STATISTICS

The following figures have been compiled from the reports.

	1927	1928
Presbyterials in America	57	57
Presbyterials reporting Juniors	56	54
Junior societies	502	502
New Junior societies	28	33
Junior societies failing to report	29	46
Little Light Bearers' Circles	64	76
Little Light Bearers' members	1199	1633
Gain in members		434
Loss in members	252	
Junior society members	12429	12813
Gain in members	7	384
New Junior Life Members	483	417
Number graduated	47	
Honorary Members	686	541
Number uniting with the church	888	1087
Mission Study classes	194	218
Junior Missionary Magazine subscriptions	6540	6266
Number of boxes and packages	373	305
Total number of societies, Junior, L. L. B.	566	578
Total number of members, Junior, L. L. B.	18628	14446
Gain in societies		12
Gain in members		818

CONTRIBUTIONS

Mrs. George Moore Memorial	$ 2.00	$
Foreign Missions	743.00	750.00
Foreign Salaries	338.00	260.00
Home Mission	718.00	860.00
Indian Missions	313.00	330.00
Freedmen's Missions	397.00	431.00
Parsonage	84.00	111.00
Ministerial Relief	107.00	125.00
Junior Special Work	4272.00	4240.00
Presbyterial Expense Fund	141.00	138.00
Temperance	91.00	106.00
Isaiah 41:6 Fund	38.00	39.00
W. G. M. S. Expense Fund	2.00	
Columbia Hospital	42.00	32.00
Orphans' Home	148.00	128.00
Aged People's Home	31.00	24.00
New World Movement	89.00	21.00
Little Light Bearers' Contribution	213.00	298.00
Total	$ 7769.00	$ 7893.00
Thank-Offering	$14255.53	$13167.34
Grand Total	$22024.53	$21060.34
Net gain	$ 1058.82	
Loss		$ 964.19
Congregational Work	448.00	161.00
District Work	123.00	345.00
Average per member	1.77	1.58

FOREIGN STATISTICS

Presbyterials in Egypt	4	4
Societies in Egypt	18	21
Members in Egypt	1953	2647

Thank-Offerings in Egypt	$ 975.22	$1052.94½
Total Offerings in Egypt	$1519.66	$1663.59½
Presbyterials in India	5	5
Societies in India	24	27
Thank-Offerings in India	$82.41	$61.36
Total Offerings in India	$99.07	$72.46

HONOR ROLL

The following societies are on the Honor Roll for having contributed $100 or over.

1st N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa.	$539.00
6th Pittsburgh, Pa.	443.30
6th N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa.	422.00
Aspinwall, Pa.	340.50
2nd N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa.	315.00
1st Wilkinsburg, Pa.	308.50
Ingram, Pa.	252.00
Houston, Pa.	239.23
2nd Wilkinsburg, Pa.	236.00
8th N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa.	228.00
Midway, Pa.	216.50
Mt. Lebanon, Pittsburgh, Pa.	199.00
Greenville, Pa.	185.00
3rd Pittsburgh, Pa.	184.25
Santa Ana, Calif.	182.00
Jamestown, Pa.	179.27
Homewood, Pittsburgh, Pa.	176.51
Lisbon, New York	176.00
Tabernacle, Youngstown, Ohio	175.00
Slippery Rock Boro, Pa.	173.00
7th Philadelphia, Pa.	162.00
1st Tarentum, Pa.	160.00
Avalon, Pa.	159.00
Bovina Center, New York	158.65
Beaver Falls, Pa.	155.00
2nd Cambridge, Ohio	146.94
Brookline, Pittsburgh, Pa.	143.00
South Youngstown, Ohio	142.00
Wallace Memo., Washington, D. C.	139.70
12th Philadelphia, Pa.	139.20
Robinson, Pa.	132.00
1st East Liverpool, Ohio	126.00
Neil Ave., Columbus, Ohio	120.00
Bellevue, Pa.	118.00
Wheeling, West Va.	117.86
Mt. Washington, Pittsburgh, Pa.	114.00
Chartiers, Cannonsburg, Pa.	113.00
New Wilmington, Pa.	113.00
Parnassus, Pa.	112.61
Mars, Pa.	112.00
1st Buffalo, New York	111.00
4th N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa.	110.00
Clarinda, Iowa	109.54
3rd Washington, Pa.	108.00
Struthers, Ohio	107.00
Linesville, Pa.	107.00
Pasadena, Calif.	107.00
Ben Avon, Pa.	105.00
Beaver, Pa.	105.00
Woodville, Pa.	103.00
Carnegie, Pa.	102.00
Cambridge, New York	101.35
1st McKeesport, Pa.	100.56
2nd Butler, Pa.	100.00
1st Italian, Pittsburgh, Pa.	100.00
2nd Chicago, Ill.	99.79
Apollo, Pa.	99.00

THANK-OFFERING HONOR ROLL

1st N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa.	$444.00
Aspinwall, Pa.	242.50
6th N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa.	230.00
2nd Wilkinsburg, Pa.	185.00
Ingram, Pa.	175.00
6th Pittsburgh, Pa.	162.30
Tabernacle, Youngstown, Ohio	145.00
Santa Ana, Calif.	135.00
Houston, Pa.	134.23
1st Wilkinsburg, Pa.	132.50
Mt. Lebanon, Pittsburgh, Pa.	127.00
Midway, Pa.	125.50
Greenville, Pa.	125.00
1st Tarentum, Pa.	122.00
7th Philadelphia, Pa.	121.00
3rd Pittsburgh, Pa.	120.25
Neil Ave., Columbus, Ohio	120.00
Homewood, Pittsburgh, Pa.	115.51
Jamestown, Pa.	115.27
2nd Cambridge, Ohio	105.94
Woodville, Pa.	103.00
South Youngstown, Ohio	102.00
Wheeling, West Va.	101.86
Parnassus, Pa.	100.61
Lisbon, New York	100.00

The following societies contributed to each of the seven Departments of Work.

Aspinwall, Pa.; Emsworth, Pa.; Valencia, Pa.; Beaver, Pa.; 2nd New Castle, Pa.; Newville, Pa.; Slippery Rock Boro, Pa.; Grove City, Pa.; South Park, Buffalo, N. Y.; 2nd Buffalo, N. Y.;

Chartier, Canonsburg, Pa.; Greenside Ave., Canonsburg, Pa.; Venice, Pa.; 3rd Washington, Pa.; 2nd Chicago, Ill.; North Kortright, N. Y.; Brown Ave., Erie, Pa.; Jamestown, Pa.; Kennard, Pa.; Santa Ana, Calif.; 2nd Pittsburgh, Pa.; 6th Pittsburgh, Pa.; Homewood, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Ingram, Pa.; 1st Italian, Pittsburgh, Pa.; McDonald, Pa.; Mt. Washington, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Oakmont, Pa.; 1st Wilkinsburg, Pa.; Wayne Ave., Dayton, Ohio; 2nd Cambridge, Ohio; Dales Memorial, Philadelphia, Pa.; Wallace Memorial, Washington, D. C.; Moline, Ill.; 2nd Spokane, Wash.

JUNIOR SPECIAL

For five years past we have had as our Junior Special Work the support of the Primary Schools for Girls in India. $4,200 was the amount asked again this year. $240 more than this or $4,440 was contributed. This is the largest Junior Special Offering we have had since 1925. This object is a most worthy one and has continued to appeal to the Juniors.

SILVER TROPHY CUPS

Two silver trophy cups are to be awarded this year. In order that the competition might be more interesting and fair, the Presbyterials have been divided into two groups. In the first group are the five largest Presbyterials—those whose membership exceeds 500. Allegheny, Cleveland, Chartiers, Monongahela and Philadelphia comprise this group. Two of these, Allegheny and Cleveland increased their membership. Cleveland increased 4%. To Allegheny whose per cent was 18 the first cup is awarded. The second group comprises all the remaining Presbyterials. Seventeen of these made increases. They were Arkansas Valley, 14%; Big Spring, 22%; Boston, 8%; Butler, 13%; Chicago, 58%; Conemaugh, 13%; Delaware, 51%; Des Moines, 8%; Indiana, 21%; Kiskiminetas 8%; Monmouth, 20%; Muskingum, 23%; Omaha, 110%; Pawnee, 8%; Puget Sound, 21%; Wheeling, 50%; Wisconsin, 34%. To Omaha 110% the second cup is awarded.

CONVENTION BANNER

It gives us great pleasure to award the Convention Banner this year. For two years past no Presbyterial has qualified for the Banner so it could not be awarded. Most of the Presbyterials fail first because they are not fully organized. There must be a junior society in every congregation in the Presbyterial. Fifteen Presbyterials this year made the 10% increase in membership which is required. Many Presbyterials fail because every society does not contribute to some department of work as well as to the Thank-Offering. This year only one Presbyterial met every requirement. To Wisconsin the Convention Banner is again awarded. In 1925 when the last award was made, Wisconsin received the Banner.

MISSION STUDY

We are glad that there has been a gain in Mission Study. Never have we had better book and helps than have been available during the past year. Many societies have studied the Foreign text "Please Stand By" and have enjoyed it. We have had two new Home texts. "The Upward Climb" which is the first of a series of Freedmen studies and "Indian Playmates in Navajo Land", also the first of a series of three books. Both of these have been helpful and instructive studies. The new Foreign book for the coming year is "Camp Fires in the Congo." It is written by Mrs. John M. Springer, a missionary who has had twenty-six years experience in Africa. Some quite thrilling experiences are recorded dealing with crocodiles, zebras, lions, etc. Mrs. Springer begins her book with two original poems. By all means every junior society should study this book. Mrs. Peabody has prepared some excellent books for beginners. "David

and Susi—Black and White" is splendid for little children, ages four to seven. This book has sixty pages and has a picture on each page.

SHOWER BARREL

Shower Barrel magazines were sent during the year to the children of missionaries in the various foreign fields. Not having sufficient funds to renew all the subscriptions of the previous year it was necessary to reduce the list which was done with great regret. Fifty-two subscriptions were sent to forty-five missionary families and seven schools at a cost of $127.55. Many letters of appreciation have been received from the missionaries and have been printed in the Junior Missionary Magazine. These magazines meet a real need and are a happy way for the juniors at home to show their love, and interest in the children who do not have as many sources of entertainment as they, in this country, do. We hope you will make it possible for us to renew the full list next fall. About $150 will be required to send out all the magazines. Again we wish to express publicly our thanks to Mrs. Milliken and Mr. Clyde Milliken for their help in sending out these magazines.

As an expression of appreciation for Junior Exhibit gifts in other years, the juniors of India sent an exhibit to the Monmouth convention. This year they have sent us a collection of Indian combs of as many varieties as possible. Miss Ruth Ardrey says "I wish I could tell you how they have enjoyed doing this, and how they hope the American Juniors will be pleased. They hope to send some other characteristic Indian article next year. We hope these may be on display at the Convention and given out at its close to all the societies represented. We would like every place represented to have a comb to take home for their juniors. There are thirty different kinds of combs." We thank the Juniors of India very much for this gift.

In an address given on one of his American tours Sir Harry Lauder said: "Some years ago I was sitting at dusk at the window of a house in Scotland so situated that it commanded the view of an entire street of the city. Suddenly there came out from the alley way near the house a man with a lighted torch on the end of a stick. Going to a lamp-post near by, he thrust the torch to the nozzle of the gas jet, which immediately burst into light. He then went to the next post, about the middle of the square, where the flame from the little torch awakened another blaze of light. I was there watching that lamplighter as he pursued his task, and long after his form became indistinguishable I could trace his movements by the lamps he lighted and the long trail of light that he left behind him. Your business and mine, my friends, is so to live that, after our personalities have become lost in the shadows, we shall leave behind us a trail of light that will guide the steps of those who otherwise may walk in darkness."

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. W. R. McMunn,
Junior Secretary.

"A child is your second chance."

REPORT OF

TEMPERANCE AND REFORM DEPARTMENT

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1928

MRS. HARRIET S. BOOBYER
Temperance and Reform Secretary

THE year that has just closed has been marked by progress in our department, which has been manifested in several ways. We have had a little better organization, all the Presbyterials having a secretary, except Vermont and Ohio North Western, and more societies appointing one. While all the Presbyterial secretaries have not reported, and all the society secretaries have not done any active work, we trust another year will find them better acquainted with the plan and purpose of the department and ready to do effective service. We have had a greater demand for literature, 13,100 leaflets having gone out. As the purpose of this department is largely educational, this distribution of literature is an important feature of the work, and one of the best means of getting information across. We know God's blessing has gone with the printed page and hope it has stirred the readers to deeper concern and interest.

The two objectives set before our secretaries last year were to acquaint their societies more thoroughly with the activities and menace of the Mormon Church, and to stress with all the emphasis possible the duty of Christian Citizenship.

Despite some reports to the contrary which have been printed even in church papers, the Mormon Church continues to grow. I have the figures for 1927 showing an increase of 6300 baptized converts exclusive of the children "blessed," and I would remind you that the total membership is 600,000 in the two main divisions of Mormonism, with the church dominating 122,000 square miles of territory besides smaller centers where it has entered. In face of the fact that the main bulk of the proselytes come from present and past church members and that the average church member knows little of either the real teachings or the degrading practices of this false religion, it is well seen that we need to continue to inform our women that they, themselves may know. and perhaps be the means of intelligently warning others.

We urged the stressing of the duty of citizenship as it was felt to be an urgent need in every election and particularly in the Presidential election this coming fall, when the church vote, alas, often indifferent, must be rallied that it may make itself felt in support of dry planks and dry candidates. Since in many of the best of church-going election districts only a third or a half of the comparatively small number of registered voters went to the polls at the Primaries, such an indifference in this crucial hour is to be greatly lamented.

Our women must realize the gravity of the situation themselves and arouse others to it as well. They must not be deluged by artful propaganda that declares that "Prohibition is not an issue of the election", "Prohibition is a failure", and "a wet president cannot influence a dry Congress." Whatever the political situation is in the fall as to party candidates, the challenge will be to our women to forget "party" and remember "principle", to look not at the candidate's brilliancy but at his stand for Law Enforcement, particularly that of the Eighteenth Amendment, and to judge that stand not by pre-election promises but by his past record.

If we could only realize that Christ stands over against the ballot box today as he stood over against the treasury of old, scanning that which is cast in, grieving over those neglectful of their duty, we would resolve that in the months immediately before us we will use any opportunity that presents itself to speak and work for an intelligent Christian Citizenship among our neighbors and in our community.

While we have mentioned only two phases of Temperance and Reform work in detail, we cannot overlook the importance of continued efforts for better Sabbath observance, since in many of the coming Legislatures renewed attempts will be made to pass laws commercializing the Lord's Day. Also the increased and determined campaign of the Tobacco Trust to win over our girls as well as our boys to the use of the cigarette, through their alluring pictures on the signboards and the comic strips of the newspapers, should be a matter of grave concern, as we all realize the far-reaching physical and moral results of nicotine on womanhood.

In closing this report, which cannot be recorded in figures, but must be computed in terms of personal interest and influence, it is the hope of the Secretary that we may be able to reach our Young Women and our Juniors with this departmental work. We MUST reach them, for what do they know, what can they know of the truth about any of these various phases of Temperance and Reform work? They will never get the truth from the bulk of the printed matter that they read, nor from the large measure of the conversation that comes to their ears. They are, many of them, not in touch with any organization teaching these things, and the responsibility rests upon the missionary society to see that they get some reliable information.

We may well ponder the need of educating our young people as to the value and benefits of Prohibition when we read the following—"It is evident that those who are fighting for the overthrow of the national dry policy are looking well into the future. Their hope lies with the voters-to-be and with that in view they are directing their propaganda and publicity. There are at a close estimate one million and a half 'first voters' each year, of whom a few hundred thousand are naturalized citizens, leaving well over a million native-born eligible to cast their first vote. They were too young at the time to know the most baneful effects of the licensed liquor traffic, and now the wet newspapers and magazines tell them that conditions are worse than under the old system. They are for the most part getting only one side of the question, and unlike those who voted the traffic out of existence, they are unable to compare the licensed period and the prohibition period." HOW will they vote when they come of age?

We have this promise in God's Word as true in these days as in the days of Isaiah, who saw the mighty forces of evil at work in his land and yet uttered these words, "When the enemy shall come in like a flood the Spirit of the Lord will lift up a standard against him." The standard has

been lifted up and set in the highest law of the land: who will be the standard bearers? You and I in our day and generation, but when our hold loosens, when our day is done, will this standard fall into the young clasp of another generation trained as we have been trained, or shall we leave them untaught, unwarned? Surely this is a responsibility to be seriously considered by the presidents of Women's and Young Women's societies, and by Junior leaders this coming year.

PRAYER GROUPS

Someone has said, "The prayer closets of God's people are the roots of the church", and surely it is also a fitting illustration of the great part that our prayer groups, now 74 in number, play in the progress of our work. As the roots gather nourishment for the life of the tree, so the prayers of our women have given spiritual food to those who labor in the fields white to the harvest, and have brought great blessing on all our endeavors at home and abroad. To the many Presbyterials within whose bounds there is no prayer group, we would say, "Can you afford to miss such an opportunity, dare you neglect to use such a power as united Prayer?"

Respectfully submitted,

Harriet S. Boobyer.

REPORT OF

PARSONAGE DEPARTMENT

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1928

MRS. W. P. Wiegering
Parsonage Secretary

THE Parsonage Department is closely allied with the Home Missionary work, as frequently a home for the missionary is necessary for the future development of the work. Money is loaned for a period of from ten to fifteen years at the low rate of 2% interest. Repayments are made either monthly or quarterly as best suits the congregation borrowing the money.

The first parsonage was built from this fund in 1888, just 40 years ago. In that time 259 congregations have been aided in securing parsonages. Several permanent investments have also been made both in the fields at home and abroad amounting to nearly $770,000.00.

This past year $13,535.00 was invested in a summer home for the lady missionaries of the Sudan, at Sinkat.

Seven new loans amounting to 40,-690.14 were made to the following congregations: Fairmont Park, Canton, Ohio; Culver City, Cal.; Richmond, Ohio; San Jose, Cal.; Warrendale, Pa.; Reedurban, Canton, Ohio; and Gibson Heights, Youngstown, O.

The following congregations have made final payments on loans: Zelienople, Pa.; Waterford, Pa.; Woodlawn, Pa.; Savannah, Ohio; and South Omaha, Nebr.

$7,000.00 was received from the

Thank-Offering and the receipts from Presbyterials was a little more than last year, $3,745.00.

Total amount received as repayments on loans was $29,655.65.

April 15, 1928 there are 81 loans outstanding amounting to $276,529.75.

Mrs. W. P. Wiegering,
Parsonage Secretary.

STATEMENT OF PARSONAGE LOANS
WOMEN'S GENERAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

For the Fiscal Year Ending April 15, 1928

	Outstanding Apr. 15, 1927	Paid during the year	Outstanding Apr. 15, 1928
First Akron, Ohio	$ 4,722.32	$ 812.05	$ 3,910.27
Assiut, Egypt	20,575.40	2,165.40	18,409.57
Alliance, Ohio	8,120.00	580,00	7,540.00
North Hill, Akron, Ohio	8,815.97	618.64	8,197.33
Boise, Idaho	375.72		375.72
Barstow Colony, California	549.56	103.89	445.67
Beechview, Pittsburgh, Pa.	2,943.31	550.00	2,393.31
North Ave., Baltimore, Md.	1,631.70	155.40	1,476.30
Beaumont, California	3,559.44	395.52	3,163.92
Boyden, Iowa	2,412.94	235.44	2,177.50
Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio	1,646.61	247.50	1,399.11
Brooklyn, Cleveland, Ohio	1,730.18	329.60	1,400.58
Second Cleveland, Ohio	4,880.20	733.68	4,146.52
Colorado Springs, Colo.	3,284.02	423.76	2,860.26
Slovak Calvinist, Cleveland, Ohio	3,919.66	317.82	3,601.84
Girls' College, Cairo	13,320.00	1,332.00	11,988.00
Ingleside Community, San Francisco, Calif.	6,752.39	319.68	6,432.71
Military Ave., Detroit, Mich.	640.36	320.16	320.20
DeWitt, Iowa	1,332.00	132.00	1,200.00
Ewing, Nebraska	1,054.50	111.00	943.50
Elyria, Ohio	8,410.00	435.00	7,975.00
Freeport, Pa.	5,836.44	753.76	5,083.68
Florence Ave., Los Angeles, California	5,382.42	448.52	4,933.90
Grinnell, Iowa	2,358.72	277.52	2,081.30
*Greeley, Colorado	2,245.00	540.00	*1,705.00
Granger, Wash.	2,471.61	282.60	2,189.01
Hepburn, Iowa	1,529.69	353.10	1,176.59
Hutchinson, Kansas	1,581.75	333.00	1,248.75
*Harmarville, Pa.	9,280.00	291.68	*8,988.32
Indiana Harbor, Indiana	3,177.92	423.76	2,754.16
Ingram, Pa.	10,000.00	1,110.00	8,890.00
Kenton, Ohio	2,033.99	302.32	1,732,67
King Hill, Idaho	1,515.15	155.40	1,359.75
Lakewood, Ohio	3,813.75	565.00	3,248.75
Leetsdale, Pa.	9,280.00	618.68	8,661.32
Monessen, Pa.	1,120.00	240.12	880.48
Moundsville, W. Va.	1,059.38	282.50	776.88
Montrose, Colo.	2,134.88		2,134.88
Muscle Shoals, Alabama	2,118.70	235.42	1,883.28
Murray, Nebraska	2,509.51	122.42	2,387.09
Monroe, Iowa	848.70		848.70
Meridian, Pa.	1,066.93	127.67	939.26
Norfolk, Va.	988.76	329.58	659.18
Ontario, Oregon	965.65	172.00	793.65
Olathe, Colo.	1,353.25	244.00	1,109.25
Oskaloosa, Iowa	413.33		413.33
South Omaha, Nebraska	183.00	183.00	
Oneonta, N. Y.	2,330.00	600.00	1,730.00
Kenton, Portland, Oregon	2,553.00		2,553.00
Knoxville, Pittsburgh, Pa.	1,341.82	353.15	988.67

	Outstanding Apr. 15, 1927	Paid during the year	Outstanding Apr. 15, 1928
12th Philadelphia, Pa.	1,836.14	423.78	1,412.36
Ross Community, Pittsburgh, Pa.	4,825.72	471.04	4,354.68
First Portland, Oregon	3,268.37	282.50	2,985.87
Roberts, Idaho	555.00	167.25	397.75
Third Rock Island, Illinois	5,761.34	345.92	5,415.42
Russellton, Pa.	5,799.95	386.64	5,413.31
Stuttgart, Arkansas	4,497.50		4,497.50
Sebring, Ohio	610.50	190.50	420.00
Third St. Louis, Mo.	1,000.00	250.00	750.00
Shedd, Oregon	1,789.09	376.68	1,412.41
Olympic Court, Seattle, Wash	2,259.80	602.38	1,657.42
Somerville, Indiana	1,176.79	130.76	1,046.03
Second Spokane, Wash.	2,314.51	225.00	2,089.51
Savannah, Ohio	212.00	212.00	
Scottdale, Pa.	3,107.49	282.51	2,824.98
Tulsa, Okla.	2,138.12	576.80	1,561.32
First Toledo, Ohio	4,095.50		4,095.50
East Toledo, Ohio	1,376.49	70.65	1,305.84
Ninth Ave., Tarentum, Pa.	8,214.00	222.00	7,992.00
Weiser, Idaho	2,037.24	125.00	1,912.24
College Springs, Wichita, Kans.	3,354.70	971.29	2,383.41
Washtucna, Wash.	717.00	20.00	697.00
Woodlawn, Pa.	341.16	341.16	
Waterford, Pa.	212.00	212.00	
First Wichita, Kans.	2,542.50	211.89	2,330.61
Woodville, Pa.	7,199.87	693.36	6,506.51
Warren, Ohio	6,844.00	464.00	6,380.00
Brownlee Woods, Youngstown, Ohio	5,722.75	773.30	4,949.45
Zelienople, Pa.	175.00	175.00	
Totals	$266,155.26	$ 28,857.08	$237,298.18
Corrections			
*Credit Harmarville Loan $580.00			
*Credit Greeley, Colo. Loan 80.00			
	660.00		660.00
Totals	$265,495.26	$ 28,857.08	$236,638.18

NEW LOANS

Fairmont Blvd., Canton, Ohio	$ 9,990.00	$ 249.75	$ 9,740.25
Culver City, Calif.	7,888.10		7,888.10
Richmond, Ohio	2,507.04	313.40	2,193.64
Reedurban, Canton, Ohio	5,085.00		5,085.00
San Jose, Calif.	3,920.00		3,920.00
Warrendale, Pa.	4,520.00	94.17	4,425.83
Gibson Heights, Youngstown, Ohio	6,780.00	141.25	6,638.75
Total new Loans	$ 40,690.14	$ 798.57	$ 39,891.57
Total during the year	$360,185.40		
Total received during the year		29.655.65	
Total Loans Outstanding April 15, 1928			$276,529.75
Interest		69.69	
Total cash receipts		$ 29,725.34	

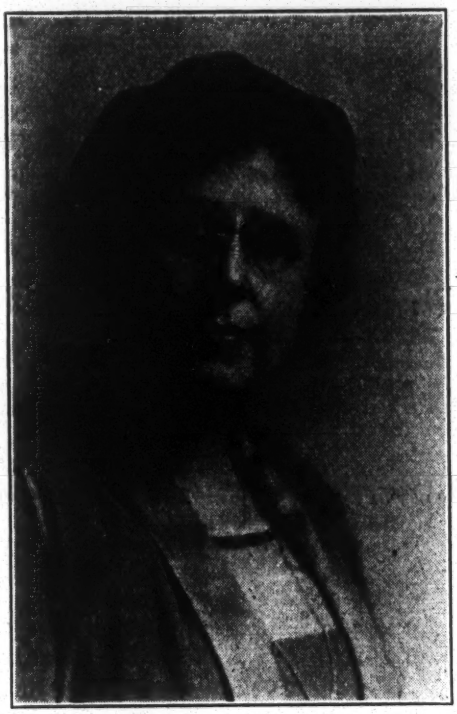
I hereby certify that the above is a correct statement of Parsonage Loans outstanding at the beginning and close of the fiscal year ending April 15, 1928, and of all changes during the year as compiled from the accounts of Mrs. W. P. Wiegering, Parsonage secretary. Have made a careful audit of her accounts for the year and find them correct.

A. F. Sawhill,
Auditor.

REPORT OF

THANK-OFFERING DEPARTMENT

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1928



MRS. O. H. Milligan
Thank-Offering Secretary

OUR THANK-OFFERING like the "Tree of Gratitude" shelters an increasing number of women and children from the poisonous atmosphere of greed and selfishness.

This "Tree of Gratitude" planted by our Master is well watered with prayer. Like the mountain pine it is ever green in its nature. Its growth continues through each day of the year, for His blessings to us are daily.

Its fruit forms and gradually ripens until "Ingathering" time, when loving hands garner its rich golden harvest for the Lord. With His blessing it is sent forth to nourish the spiritual needy in the home and foreign lands.

Real thanksgiving in our hearts is always followed by thanksgiving in our lives and thanksgivings in our hands.

The gratitude of the women and children through the fifty-seven presbyterials at home and in Egypt and India was expressed by the 1927 Thank-Offering.

As we review the work of the year we praise God for the fruits of the "Tree of Gratitude."

The returned blanks tell us of the faithfulness of the members of the societies—a year of devotion in His service. A year of prayer for the work and the workers. A year of work by faithful and consecrated local and presbyterial secretaries.

Our desire for 1927, a report from each society has not been realized. September seventh, the 1927 Thank-Offering blanks were mailed to 1789 societies. Of this number 1716 societies reported. Seventy-three societies failed to return their report.

If any society in your presbyterial is disorganized or merged during the year, please so report.

Thirty-one Presbyterials are on the Honor roll for having had a Thank-Offering and reporting same on time from all Auxiliary societies.

They are:—

Butler—fifth year.
Cedar Rapids—first year.
Chicago—first year.
Cleveland—eleventh year.
Concordia—seventh year.
Conemaugh—first year.
Delaware—first year.
DesMoines—second year.
Detroit—fifth year.
Hudson—fourth year.
Idaho—fifth year.
Indiana—third year.
Keokuk—second year.
Kiskiminetas—third year.
Monongahela—sixth year.
New York—second year.
Ohio First—first year.
Oklahoma—third year.
Omaha—third year.
Oregon—third year.

Pawnee—first year.
Philadelphia—fourth year.
Puget Sound—seventh year.
San Francisco—third year.
Spokane—first year.
Texas—first year.
Uncompahgre—sixth year.
Vermont—third year.
Wheeling—second year.
Wisconsin—tenth year.
Xenia—second year.

Honorable mention is made of eight Presbyterials that lacked but one society of being 100% Presbyterials. They are Big Spring, Chartiers, College Springs, Frankfort, Indiana Northern, Los Angeles, Ohio Northwestern and Westmoreland.

Mention is also made of eight Presbyterials that lacked but two societies of a perfect record. They are Albany, Allegheny, Caledonia, Colorado, Kansas City, Mercer, Muskingum, and Tennessee.

The following Presbyterials increased their offerings over last year: Albany, Argyle, Boston, Butler, Colorado, Concordia, Frankfort, Indiana, Kansas City, Kiskiminetas, Lake, New York, Oklahoma, Philadelphia, Puget Sound, Rock Island, Tennessee, Vermont, and Wheeling.

Of the 1716 societies reporting, 725 increased the amount of their offerings of the previous year. Forty-eight Women's and Young Women's societies doubled their offering of 1926. On the Honor Roll for having averaged one dollar or more per member are 151 Junior societies. Fifty-six societies gave a Thank-Offering for the first time and seventeen congregations not having societies gave a Thank-Offering.

The Thank-Offering of Egypt is:—

Thebes Presbyterial	$ 411.83
Assiut Presbyterial	1575.00
Middle Egypt	401.85
Delta Presbyterial	1750.00
Total	$4138.68

An increase over the previous year.

THE THANK-OFFERING OF INDIA

Presbyterials	Women	Young Women	Juniors	
Sialkot	$316.24		$12.59	
Gujranwala	185.11	$23.85	17.28	
Gurdaspur	131.30	3.90	5.25	
Rawalpindi	202.65		20.43	
Sargodha	102.04		5.81	
Scattered Juniors			23.33	
Totals	937.34	27.75	84.69	$1049.78

An increase over the offerings of the previous year.

The offerings of Egypt and India are disbursed to objects in their own countries, and as they do not pass through the hands of our General Treasurer are not included in the total, but are in addition to it.

At the recent meeting of the Synodical in India (a gathering very much like our General Convention, composed of delegates from all their presbyterials), one of our Thank-Offering Pageants was presented. The one chosen was "Gifts of Gratitude". Rev. Williams, a helper in the Gurdaspur district, translated it into Urdu. It was presented by the women and children of the Gurdaspur Home under the leadership of Miss Emma Dean Anderson. It was received very enthusiastically and has since been printed in Urdu that other societies may present it.

Distribution of supplies from April 15, 1927 to April 15, 1928 are as follows:

Senior Envelopes	79,570
Y. W. Envelopes	26,250
Junior Envelopes	22,311
Posters	131

Senior Services	6,722
Junior Services	596
Senior Leaflets	66,552
Junior Leaflets	10,553
Creed	670
Invitations	19,983
Junior Boxes	10,431
Senior Boxes	11,676

LIFE MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES

Senior	677
Junior	514

The Thank-Offering of 1927 is $163,016.15. To this amount is added the interest accrued until it was disbursed June first which is approximately $2,639.01 making the total amount of the 1927 Thank-Offering $165,655.16.

Forty years ago, at a time of special need the Thank-Offering work was started. God gave this beautiful plan to Mrs. Joseph Clokey, Springfield, Ohio. The first Thank-Offering was presented at the Women's General Missionary Society at Washington, Pa., May 8, 1888. The amount of the first Thank-Offering was $5,919.20. From the very first offering to the fortieth anniversary offering, God has blest this form of gift worship. Like a powerful magnet, this movement has drawn to itself the very best that is in the nature of the givers, and has brought them into such close touch with their God that they praise Him for all that comes into their daily lives.

The total amount of the Thank-Offerings for the forty years is $2,713,155.30. This money has brought untold blessings to the Indians, to the Freedmen, to the peoples of the mountains of Kentucky, to the strangers within our gates, to India, Egypt, Sudan and Abyssinia.

The greatest blessing has not been the money received but the blessings that have come into the lives of the givers as they expressed their gratitude to Him, and as they gave their offerings with the prayer for the work and the workers.

We praise God for His rich blessing upon this work during the forty years and go forth with the prayer:

On us let the grace and beauty
Of the Lord our God remain,
Strengthen us for noble duty
That our work be not in vain.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. O. H. Milligan,

1927 THANK-OFFERING

Albany	$ 1670.52
Allegheny	13875.40
Argyle	1937.27
Arkansas Valley	1688.52
Beaver Valley	7530.00
Big Spring	1033.47
Boston	2201.98
Butler	5378.90
Caledonia	2486.15
Cedar Rapids	1407.32
Chartiers	7832.00
Chicago	2369.58
Cleveland	6894.86
College Springs	1728.02
Colorado	2276.52
Concordia	282.92
Conemaugh	2466.65
Delaware	3124.58
DesMoines	1701.47
Detroit	2114.08
Frankfort	458.86
Hudson	2044.25
Idaho	403.42
Illinois Southern	2116.76
Indiana	1296.67
Indiana Northern	205.49
Kansas City	2044.94
Keokuk	1639.99
Kiskiminetas	3367.50
Lake	2892.20
Los Angeles	4289.43
Mansfield	1680.27
Mercer	2245.11
Monmouth	2444.37
Monongahela	24780.07
Muskingum	3469.84
New York	271.00
Ohio First	2583.78
Oklahoma	635.69
Omaha	673.51
Oregon	795.65
Pawnee	670.55

Philadelphia	6635.66	Friends	25.00
Puget Sound	1589.29	Margaret J. Noble	50.00
Rock Island	1189.63	Ida Woods	10.00
San Francisco	1187.19	Convention Offering 1927	77.23
Sidney	1055.89	E. B. Mahood	375.00
Spokane	678.74	Thos. A. Lambie, M. D.	10.00
Steubenville	3881.31	Carrie E. MacDanel	100.00
Tennessee	636.45	Aged People's Home	77.25
Texas	240.23	Viola Bayne	10.00
Uncompahgre	71.80	Sale of Supplies	296.75
Vermont	340.92	Int. Mary Clokey Porter Bequest	553.45
Westmoreland	6386.90	Int. E. McCartney Bequest	1.80
Wheeling	2206.62	Interest, (Approximate)	2642.79
Wisconsin	974.65		
Xenia	3283.26		
Mrs. Mary L. Fogt	25.00	Total	$165622.37

DISTRIBUTION OF 1927 THANK-OFFERING

At the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Women's General Missionary Society, Tuesday, June 5, 1928, the following distribution of the 1927 Thank-Offering was made:

Foreign Missions	$ 96,256.00	Parsonage Department	6,000.00
Foreign Salaries	197.00	Junior Magazine	1,500.00
Home Missions	12,200.00	Ministerial Relief	1,019.94
Indian Missions	1,000.00	Senior Life Memberships	16,925.00
Freedmen's Missions	20,000.00	Junior Life Memberships	5,150.00
		Life Directorships	1,800.00
		Junior Special	47.66
		Aged People's Home	55.00
		Columbia Hospital	455.00
		Contingent	3,016.77
		Total	$165,622.37

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MY THANK-OFFERING CREED

I believe that God is my Heavenly Father, and I am His child.

I believe that to me "His mercies are new every morning," and that "He daily loadeth me with benefits."

I believe that in return I should daily load Him with thanksgiving and prove my gratitude with thank-offerings.

I believe that He has called me to be a co-worker with Him in bringing the world to a knowledge of Christ the Saviour.

I believe that He wants to use my time, my talents, my prayers, my means to this end.

I believe that by His Holy Spirit He will enable me to consecrate my all to Him.

DESIGNATIONS OF 1927 THANK-OFFERING

PRESBYTERIALS	Foreign Missions	Foreign Salaries	Junior Life Memberships	Senior Life Memberships	Life Directorships	Junior Special	Contingent Fund	Home for Aged People	Columbia Hospital	TOTAL
Albany				25.00						25.00
Allegheny			680.00	1600.00	300.00			55.00		2635.00
Argyle			70.00	200.00						270.00
Arkansas Valley			30.00	150.00						180.00
Beaver Valley			40.00	475.00						515.00
Big Spring			60.00	100.00						160.00
Boston				500.00						500.00
Butler			140.00	500.00						640.00
Caledonia			80.00	100.00						180.00
Cedar Rapids			10.00							10.00
Chartiers			240.00	850.00						1090.00
Chicago			90.00	400.00						490.00
Cleveland			340.00	925.00						1265.00
College Springs			30.00	125.00		15.66				170.66
Colorado			40.00	450.00						490.00
Conemaugh			90.00	325.00	300.00					715.00
Delaware		197.00	100.00	250.00						547.00
Des Moines			20.00	125.00						145.00
Detroit			30.00	325.00						355.00
Frankfort			20.00	50.00						70.00
Hudson				150.00						150.00
Idaho			10.00							10.00
Illinois Southern			20.00	150.00						170.00
Indiana			20.00	50.00						70.00
Kansas City			40.00	250.00						290.00
Keokuk			30.00	100.00						130.00
Kiskiminetas			150.00	625.00						775.00
Lake			160.00	575.00						735.00
Los Angeles	11.00		250.00	375.00		32.00				668.00
Mansfield			20.00	450.00						470.00
Mercer			110.00	225.00						335.00
Monmouth			80.00	275.00						355.00
Monongehela			850.00	1850.00	1200.00				155.00	4055.00
Muskingum			110.00	250.00						360.00
New York				25.00						25.00
Ohio First			60.00	325.00						385.00
Oklahoma			10.00	125.00						135.00
Omaha			30.00	75.00						105.00
Oregon				125.00						125.00
Pawnee			10.00							10.00
Philadelphia			240.00	900.00						1140.00
Puget Sound			40.00	125.00						165.00
Rock Island			10.00	150.00						160.00
San Francisco				100.00						100.00
(Sidney) Ohio N. W.			10.00	25.00						35.00
Spokane				75.00						75.00
Steubenville			150.00	300.00						450.00
Westmoreland			160.00	800.00					300.00	1260.00
Wheeling			140.00	100.00						240.00
Wisconsin			110.00	125.00						235.00
Xenia			200.00	650.00						850.00
Individuals	100.00		20.00	100.00						220.00
Convention Offering							77.23			77.23
Sale of T. O. Supplies							296.75			296.75
Interest, Approximate							2642.79			2642.79
Total	111.00	197.00	5150.00	16925.00	1800.00	47.66	3016.77	55.00	455.00	27757.43

"We should thank our Father, simply as a child,
For His utter patience, calm and sweet and mild,
For the blessings scattered, over all the way—
We should thank our Father, every live-long day!"

—Margaret E. Sangster.

LIFE MEMBERS 1927 THANK-OFFERING

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Duff, Lillie
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Duncan, Mrs. Leonard
Duncan, Mrs. O. C.
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Dunlope, Mrs. M. T.
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Ervin, Mrs. Jeannette
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Ferguson, Mrs. Orin
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Fox, Mrs. Annabell
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Gaston, Mrs. Nellie Lee
Gates, May Bell
Galvin, Mrs. Ella
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Graham, Doris
Graham, Eunice
Graham, Grace
Graham, Thelma Idell (In Memoriam)
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Gray, Mary B.
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Gregg, Mrs. Kate M.
Gregg, Mary
Gregg, Margaret W.
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Hert, Mrs. James
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Kerr, Jane Mercer
Kerr, Mrs. Murdoch
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Kilgus, Emma S.
Killough, Nellie
King, Mrs. C. I.
King, Mrs. Eleanor
King, Mrs. James
Kingan, Mrs. Elizabeth
Kingan, Lois D. (Egypt)
Kistler, Mrs. Sardis R.
Knox, Susie
Knox, Mrs. Thomas E.

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Lamont, Mrs. James C.
Landenberger, Mrs. L. W.
Lather, Mrs. R. R.
Laughhead, Mrs. Lillian Clifton
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Lester, Mrs.
Liggett, Mrs. Harry
Limage, Mrs. Emma
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Lloyd, Mrs. Elizabeth
Lockhart, Mrs.
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Mack, Floy E.
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Mack, Mrs. Samuel
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Miller, Mrs. Carrie
Miller, Mrs. Catherine
Miller, Della
Miller, Mrs. Elizabeth W.
Miller, Mrs. Grace
Miller, Mrs. Richard B.
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Morris, Marion Virginia
Morrison, Mrs. John
Morrison, Mrs. W. D.
Morrow, Mrs. Robert J.
Mortimer, Mrs. Margaret
Muirhead, Mrs. John
Mulholland, Mary
Mulder, Mrs. Peter
Mullen, Mrs. Frank
Mullen, Mynn H.
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McBride, Mrs. Jane E.
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McCausland, Mrs. George
McClain, Elizabeth J.
McClain, Grace E.
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McClelland, Margaret
McClelland, Mrs. E. S.
McClure, Mrs. Agnes O.
McConaghie, Mrs. Thomas

McConnell, Mrs. W. R.
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McCreery, Margaret
McCulley, Anna E.
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McCulloch, Mrs. E. M.
McCulloch, Mrs. J. C.
McCully, Mrs. Margaret
McCune, Agnes M.
McCurdy, Mrs. E. Jane
McDill, Mrs. Mary
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McDill, Mrs. Mary
(In Memoriam)
McDonald, Mrs. Ida
McDowell, Elizabeth
McDowell, Mary
McElhinney, Mrs. J. Hoy
McElwain, Mrs. D. M.
McEwen, Mrs. James H.
McFarland, Mrs. George P.
McFate, Jennie
McFeaters, Jennie
McFerrin, Mrs. Maude
McGeehon, Mrs. Jennie
McHattie, Grace Elizabeth
McHenry, Mrs. George
McHenry, Mrs. W. H.
McIlvaine, Inez
McIlvaine, Mrs. Margaret McBurney
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McKee, Margaret
McKelvey, Emma
McKesson, Mrs. J. A.
McKim, Mrs. J. G.
McKitrick, Mrs. Harriet M.
McLaughlin, Mrs. Bertha
McLay, Mrs. J. Z.
McLean, Daniel B.
(In Memoriam)
McLean, Rev. D. H. A.
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McLean, Mrs. Elizabeth P.
(In Memoriam)
McLean, Ella L.
(In Memoriam)
McLean, John R.
(In Memoriam)
McMarlin, Mrs. John
McMaster, Mr. Robert
(In Memoriam)
McMillan, Mrs. Anetta M.
McMillan, Viola
McMurray, Mrs. Maude
McNary, Dr. W. P.
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McNutt, Emma
(In Memoriam)
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McPherson, Mrs. Rose
McVey, Mrs. Walter E.
McWilliams, Mrs. Jessie

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Nelson, Nellie
Neeld, Alice
Neeld, Ruth
Nesbitt, Mrs. Elizabeth
Nesbit, Minnie
Nesbit, Nancy Alice
Nevinger, Mrs. Charles F.
Niblock, Mrs. J. L.
Niekamp, Mae
Noble, Margaret J.
Noble, Mrs. N. D.
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Orr, Mr. Herman
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Palmer, Mrs. Katherine
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Patterson, Mrs. Geo. W.
Patterson, Mary R.
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And guide us as we try
In sisterhood of service
To lift Thy banner high.
Let not Thy kingdom tarry,
Nor let it suffer loss,
Speed on the day of glory,
The Conquest of the Cross!

Margaret E. Sangster.

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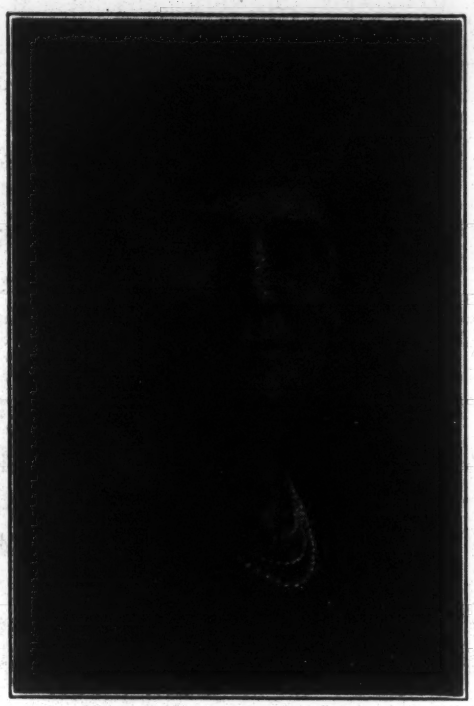


MRS. ADA KERR WILSON
Freedmen's Secretary

IN PRESENTING the Annual Report of the Freedmen's Department, we find there has been no radical change, either in the line of work or the method of carrying on. Our schools are fulfilling the mission to which they are dedicated, educating Negro youth not alone along secular lines, but stressing the Christian ideals of consecration and service. The schools have had one of their best years in point of numbers, earnestness of purpose and the number of those who have been converted and united with the church.

While the winter was one of the most severe for the Southern climate, the children came regularly to the community schools, through snow and slush:—the attendance was not lowered on account of the weather.

From our Missions in the Black Belt, we have the following, first from Camden, Alabama:

W. E. WILSON

"We are thankful to our Heavenly Father, and the Women's Board for the great number of blessings that have come to us during the year just past. We have had a very good school, both in point of numbers, and in the spirit among teachers and students. The enrollment in the day school was 183 boys and 188 girls, making a total enrollment of 371. The attendance and interest have been kept up throughout the term. There were 43 in the Boarding Department, including eight teachers. This was somewhat less than in former years, owing doubtless to the low price of cotton.

The Sewing Department, under the direction of Miss Bernice Lopez, has done commendable work. 111 girls were enrolled in this Department, and received instruction in plain and fancy sewing. Quite a number of girls have furnished their own material and made, under the instruction of the teacher, dresses for themselves during the term. The Fourth Grade girls are now making dresses for themselves which will be placed on exhibition during Commencement. A cash prize is given in this department for the best work done during the year. Nine young ladies in the graduating class are making their own graduation dresses.

These girls go each alternate day to the Domestic Science teacher where they receive instruction in cooking and serving meals. They get practical experience in helping to prepare the meals for the Boarding Department, under the instruction of the Domestic Science Teacher. We think this department is doing a very practical and helpful work among the girls.

We have a small Congregation, two

Women's Missionary Societies, a Y. P. C. U., a Junior Society and Sabbath School, and each one of these organizations made contributions to the various activities of the Church. The Congregation paid $375 on the Budget, besides giving smaller sums to other objects. The Missionary Societies contributed to the Women's Work of the Church.

We are touching, through our work and the students who go out from us, a large number of needy people in the great Black Belt section of the South, and although the uplift of people is a slow process, we feel that we are making progress and that the year just closing sets a high water mark in our work.

Three pairs of concrete steps have been built to our school building to replace the wooden steps that had fallen to pieces. The building is now being painted, and some much needed repairs are being made.

We trust that it will not be out of place, also in closing, to thank our Freedmen's Secretary for her kindly and helpful interest in our work here, and to say how much both teachers and students enjoyed the visit she and Mrs. Cook made us last Fall, and the helpful talks they gave during the Chapel hour.

W. G. Wilson, Principal."

From J. W. E. Wade, Principal at Prairie, Alabama, we have this report:

J. W. E. WADE

"Appearance at the opening of school was somewhat better than last school year. As usual, we have had two or three carloads of children each day from the nearby towns. One each from Catherine, Alberta and Flatwood. While a goodly number have gone out to the fields for farming, yet others remain to finish the year. Enrollment for boarders is 35 and for the entire school, 190. The spirit in the school work has been fine from many standpoints. Tuition has been hard to collect yet easier than in any previous year. There has been almost no sickness in school, although the winter has been most severe for our climate.

The Music Department will close Friday night, April 20th. There is a great demand for music teachers or somebody to play the piano or organ in these parts. The state requires that its teachers know the elements of music, at least, therefore, we maintain a music department.

The Sewing Department, which enrolls 75 students, boys and girls, has done excellent work. The use of the thimble, the different stitches, matching, darning, plain sewing and dressmaking are taught. The Mothers' Club has work in this department. While some learn to read and write, some to cook, others learn to sew and do fancy work. The Mothers' closing will be Friday night, April 27th. This is one of our strongest and most helpful organizations.

The Matron of Yourd Hall and the Domestic Science Department report success in their work, with 31 pupils enrolled, who prepared meals and kept house in such a way as to encourage their teachers. Their progress was easily seen.

The Church and Sabbath Schools have been prosperous . The Church raised more than its required amount for the budget, $250, or in full, over $500, more than $8.00 per member. To its roll have been added two or more "grown-ups" and in our series of meetings, conducted by Dr. C. H. Johnson, 23 were converted, 7 of whom joined our church.

The entire plant is in need of repair, as the man who had been asked to do the repairs failed to come.. The lack of water has been one of the problems at Prairie. We have got, as we think, an unfailing well. It is 93 feet deep. And now the water problem is solved.

We think everything points to final success in the work at Prairie."

Mr. I. L. Dumas, the former superintendent of our farm here, has been elected to succeed F. L. Bennett, as he is well acquainted with conditions. We are hoping that under his administration, the farm will become self-supporting.

From Millers Ferry, Ala., C. S. Simpson writes:

C. S. SIMPSON

"The plain sewing department, under Mrs. Simpson, has kept busy planning for 68 girls. Some of these are quite young and are thus getting an early start in learning how to sew. As in other years, she has taught in the lower grades the stitches and the use of the thimble. The 6th and 7th grade girls are taught simple patching and darning. Some have made garments for themselves and others. This helps them to dress neatly. They have also made some articles for the home and are proud to show that they are making use of these articles to help beautify the home. The table scarfs, bedspreads, pillow cases, etc., add quite a bit to the rooms .

Miss Parker reports a larger number of girls in the dress-making department this year than last. In addition to dress-making, the girls are taught to use paper patterns, and in the senior year, they are required to make all the clothing they will use at commencement time. The general neatness of dress among all the pupils is due, largely, to the working influence of the two sewing departments.

The domestic science department also has a large enrollment for this year, 42 girls receiving training under Miss Banks. She gives both theory and practice. Two of the classes, on certain days of the week, prepare articles for sale. The other classes obtain their practice work by preparing supper for the teachers in the boarding department.

Miss Braxton, Superintendent of the boarding department, serves 75 meals, three times daily. The girls do the work, under her direction. Each girl has taken great pride in preparing good meals and in keeping things neat and clean.

MRS. N. J. RHEA

The hospital, under the supervision of Mrs. N. J. Rhea, has been a blessing this year. On account of the unusually long and cold winter, there has been quite a bit of sickness on the campus among teachers and students, and in the community. The most pitiable case, or rather cases, were in a poor family who lives about five miles from here. The entire family was ill with typhoid fever, the mother was dead and there was no one to care for the sick. The people were very poor and had no money for medical attention or food. Their bedding was of the poorest sort, one sheet made of sacks, and that one was too small for the bed. Mrs. Rhea and one of the nurses attended this family faithfully. They felt very sad at the death of two of the patients, but these were in a dying condition when they arrived. Through the nurses' earnest and untiring efforts and the services of one of the leading physicians of Camden, the others were saved. No charges were made by either doctor or nurses, and food, bedding and clothing were given by them, by our missionary society, and friends. There were 2 severe cases of pneumonia in this hospital this winter. One was one of our

teachers and the other, the little son of another of the teachers. Both are up now and doing well. The less severe cases have also been dealt with skilfully and the prompt attention of the nurses kept them from developing seriously. This has been a busy year for the girls have been called out to attend cases in Camden and other nearby places. In all of these homes, they work under the direction of a physician and the families all report excellent service rendered.

The matron of the Boys' Home, Mrs. J. D. Wilmer, has had more small boys than for several years. Some of these are from the city and are used to attending the movies and staying out late at night. The influence here, through the Sabbath School and Junior Missionary Society has changed them. They are receiving a Christian training which will help them greatly when they return to their homes. All professed Christianity at our Evangelistic Services and we are trying to encourage and strengthen them. The young men also, have all professed Christianity and most of them take an active part in the work of the different religious organizations. They are active also in athletics and have a strong baseball club. These young men have contributed very well to our Thank-Offering and Sabbath School Rallies. She is very proud of her large family and has spent a very pleasant year with them.

Mrs. Sims, the matron of the girls' dormitory, states that she too has had a pleasant year. She and her girls in Porter Hall are truly grateful for the comforts which have been provided for them. The winter has been unusually cold and the comfort of a good warm home was much appreciated. It is interesting to know that two of the girls here are daughters of former graduates of the school. The parents live in cities but they want their girls to come under the influence of our mission."

Rev. J. N. Cotton writes from Canton Bend, Alabama:

REV. J. N. COTTON

"The work of the Sewing and Domestic Science Departments has followed the plan of former years. Girls are taught to do plain sewing. This year all the girls were required to make at least two garments for themselves. They delighted in doing this, were inspired to make and wear their own garments. This was done along with other work, learning stitches, and doing work on many different kinds of pieces that required the different stitches. There is a marked degree in neatness observed in the girls who take sewing.

The Domestic Science Department, as usual, stressed plain cooking, housekeeping and neatness. An improvement in the homes and better health for the families are observed as the girls put into practice the things learned in preparing meals, etc.

Many of the girls who have had Domestic Science and have learned to do good cooking and to be neat, have been employed in many of the best homes as cooks. Many are now serving in Mobile, Birmingham and other cities. One of our girls has been employed as cook in one of the wealthy Jewish families in Mobile, having been with them for several years. Those who need service of that kind prefer those who have had such training in the schools. We often receive requests for girls who can cook and are neat in appearance.

Many of course, have families of their own and are bringing up their children to be neat and respectful. From such homes we get the best results in training their children, in the literary department as well as in the industries.

I feel that this part of the school work should be stressed. While this

school has only the eight grades, I suppose not more than 5 per cent of those who enter the grades get any more schooling. A very large per cent of those who finish the grades here attend other schools. Very many do not finish the 8th grade. We try to get them interested in sewing and cooking as early as it can be done."

Rev. R. P. Williams, Principal at Arlington, writes:

R. P. WILLIAMS

"We have had practically no illness to retard our progress this year. An excellent spirit has existed in our student body and not a single student has been sent home. Our teachers have been earnest, faithful Christian workers.

Our revival, conducted by Rev. W. G. Wilson, of Camden, did much good and we had seven accessions to our church.

The boarding department, under the supervision of Miss Goode, has done well. Here, the girls are taught to bake bread and rolls and assist in the preparation of all meals.

The Domestic Science department gave instruction to 62 girls and has had a very successful year. Where the classes were large, it was neccessary to divide them into groups to accommodate them. The students make and sell sandwiches, cakes, pies, doughnuts and candy in order to have such things as are necessary to give work for the department. Occasionally, they cook and serve a meal to the faculty. There will be no deficit in this department, but rather, a cash balance.

The sewing department gave instruction to 86 girls, beginning at the 3rd grade. It has been gratifying to see how much interest has been manifested by these students, even of the 3rd and 4th grades. The girls are encouraged to purchase material for any needed garment for themselves, and these garments are made in the sewing room, thus furnishing work for the students without much expense to the department. Some work has been done by students for persons of the community, for which, a small charge is made. This department, like the domestic science, will not have a deficit, but a cash balance.

In spite of hard times, our students have stayed in school well. Some were able to pay up, while others will have to remain with us to work during the summer. At that time, the girls do the canning for the next school year, the laundry and cooking for the boys who remain to do the farm work, repairs etc. This summer work means a great deal to the students, financially and otherwise."

Leaving the Black Belt, we progress to our more northern station, Henderson, N. C. Miss Josie Warren writes:

"Our enrollment in the domestic science department was 152. The refrigerator was just about worn out so we purchased a new "Kelvonator". We are finding it quite serviceable and will finish paying for it next year.

Along with our food preparation, food study, meal planning, service and health study, we have put on a special good manners drive this year. We did not confine our efforts to the domestic science classes alone, but had it carried over to the entire student body. I am writing in detail just how we carried the program out. We took up good manners for every occasion and we believe it had some good effects, for we can daily see the results.

We received the box of magazines and other literature from the church that sent them and would have written to thank them had not the address been misplaced in transit. Both boys and girls were very glad to get them and began reading them at once. We appreciated them very much and

would like to express our proper thanks to the church that sent them.

Please express for us to each member of the board, our thanks and appreciation for all the things they are doing for us. May each of you be given peace, happiness and prosperity."

Mrs. Tarter, the sewing teacher, reports:

"Our work has progressed pleasantly this year. Cotton brought a better price and our girls had more money to buy clothes. Every year the classes in the high school department increase in number. This year, we enrolled 80, including the special students. We will have a number in the 4th year who will get their certificate from the sewing department. Our girls go out from here and make good. One of my girls went north last summer to work in service and a kind hearted woman noticed how well she sewed and she advised her to rent a machine and sew. She did so and had splendid success. She was able to enter school the first day.

Best of all, however, the home life of our people is lifted, year by year, to a higher plane of happiness and prosperity by the training of the domestic art and domestic science departments in our schools that are supported by the beneficence of the Christian people of the North."

MRS. EVA J. ADAMS
Henderson, N. C.

The larger of our two hospitals is Jubilee, and Mrs. Adams, the superintendent, sends the following report:

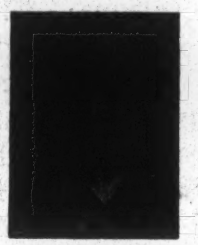
"We had an enrollment of 284 patients, 120 of which were surgical. There were 96 major and 24 minor operations. The greater number of our cases, though, were medical. Each death in the hospital occurred because the patients waited too long before they sought hospital care. We had 8 nurses in training, two of whom will graduate this year.

Our receipts for the year were	$5477.91
From the Duke Endowment Fund	813.00
Total	$6290.91
Disbursed	$6146.69

We have had 1800 free days this year, for which the Duke Endowment has donated $1775. This fund was created by Washington Duke, a millionaire philanthropist of Durham, North Carolina. He allowed $1.00 per day for all charity patients.

We have put some expensive equipment in Jubilee this year; the most important of which is an operating room light, an instrument sterilizer and some new instruments. Dr. Royster, a white doctor, interested in our work here, made some very useful improvements in our operating room, at his own expense. For all these generous contributions, we are deeply grateful.

Our Community School at Townsville, N. C., reports they have much for which to be thankful. The farmers realized better prices for their produce than for several years, hence they were better prepared to take care of their homes and pay their indebtedness. The winter was cold, but there was little snow, and they were free from epidemics. A splendid spirit has prevailed among the teachers, one of faithful service, both in the school and community, from which, we trust, some good has been accomplished. They express their deep appreciation to their northern friends for second-hand clothing and toys.



W. E. WILLIAMS

The sewing department has worked well and the good that has been accomplished through it is far reaching. Professor W. E. Williams is Principal here, and his wife is the sewing teacher.

Riceville, Tennessee is one of the smallest community schools. H. W. McKeldin, the Principal, writes as follows:

"As this is the end of the church year, I am sending you a summary of the results of the year's endeavor here in Riceville. Though it will not sound very big, it is the result of much sacrifice and prayer. The efforts put forth by the Riceville congregation this year have been both heroic and pitiable.

We have dealt with much sickness, and one or two cases of extreme poverty. I am proud to say that the members of the local Women's Missionary Society together with other members of the church, responded most nobly with heart and hand; not only offering prayers and words of sympathy, but giving food, bedding, clothing and money.

We have also made some improvements on our school and church building both inside and out.

From a religious standpoint, our year has not closed without some success. Twelve have taken a stand for Christ; four young men, three girls and five boys.

Our sewing department, though not run at a profit, has been self-sustaining.

We want to thank the Women's department for what it has done for us by way of prayers, best wishes and substantial gifts. These words of thanks are not perfunctory but sincere.

Last Christmas, we were fairly "swamped" with Christmas cheer; dolls, toys, books and candies. Every child in Riceville was made happy. We have also been able to help the more unfortunate children to attend school regularly by furnishing them clothing out of the boxes sent us.

Every box and package has been acknowledged and the donor sincerely thanked. I should like to give the names of the individuals and societies who are so kind to us, but the list is too long to include in this brief summary.

Dr. J. K. Giffen, President of Knoxville College, reports that there are seven workers at the college supported by the Women's Board and serving under its direction. During the year, all of them have done excellent work, and have been preserved in health, with the exception of the assistant to the matron of the boarding department. She was laid aside for awhile and during her absence, the responsibilities of her position were taken over by two of the more advanced student girls who have had several years of training in the boarding department.

During the year, not one serious case of discipline has been brought up from the dormitories, which is rather remarkable. One rather unfortunate thing happened last fall. One night about bed time, the lights of the campus suddenly went out. At almost the same moment two bricks were thrown through the windows of the matron's quarters in one of the halls. Every effort was made to place responsibility for this affair. A lawyer from the city was secured to help gather and weigh the evidence in the case. But it was not clear at all that the work was done by students living in the dormitories, and no motive could be assigned to it. There was quite a bit of evidence to indicate that it was done by persons from the outside. The matron, Miss Ball, was in her room at the time and one of the bricks fell quite close to her. She did not lose her head for a minute and was not upset by the incident. But the Lord brings good out of evil, and

it turned out so in this case, for the student body generally was so incensed that such a thing had occurred on the campus that a finer spirit of order prevailed all the rest of the year.

Credit must be given the matrons of the dormitories and the superintendent of the boarding department for the especially good health the students have had this year.

Financially, the year has been rather strenuous for the students. A few were compelled to leave school on account of money while others were compelled to locate themselves in the city where they could work for their room and board while attending school.

All the matrons and workers supported by the Women's Board are fine Christian women—not passively Christian, but actively, aggressively and wholesomely. Their good influence upon the students cannot be measured. The longer the students are here the better the influence they exert.

Approximately 155,000 meals are served during the course of a school year. The bakery also comes under the direction of the boarding superintendent and its output is 125 loaves a day. It is necessary to purchase $100 worth of food each day. In the dining room, devotions are held after the morning and evening meals, led sometimes by a faculty member and sometimes by students.

The dressmaking and domestic science departments both report good progress. At a reception given recently, most of the girls were able to entertain their mothers. It was difficult to tell which was happier on this occasion—the mothers or the daughters.

Thyne Institute, Chase City, reports that their work moved on as usual this year. There was an average of 100 in the boarding department. Most of the students remained to the end, but a few dropped out on account of sickness.

The most interesting thing that happened in the domestic science department is that the rooms have been so nicely refinished. Things have been sold to the students twice a week, and many things made for the teachers on special occasions.

The program that was given in the interest of better homes aroused quite a bit of interest, among the girls of the class at least. 53 girls have received this instruction this year.

In the sewing departments, 72 girls in the grades have made 6 comforts, pieced and quilted 3 quilts and found a ready sale for them. The high school girls have made at least 75 dresses, besides many other things, including underwear, baby garments and some fancy work. Each girl was required also to make over at least one garment.

Each station where boxes and barrels of second hand clothing were received, expresses heartfelt thanks. The Northern friends cannot imagine what these garments mean to the children of the missions. In many cases, the children could not have attended school had it not been for the help received through these contributions. At Christmas time, the toys brought cheer and joy to the hearts of many little ones who otherwise would have had no Christmas. "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of these, ye have done it unto Me."

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson,
Freedmen's Secretary.

The Financial Report is as follows:

RECEIPTS

Balance April 16, 1927	$ 7893.27
By Presbyterials	8656.00
By Industrial Departments	359.00
By Refunds	74.50
By Individuals, Etc.	102.00
Investment Income	432.60
Legacies	2772.72
Y. W. Special	900.00
1926 Thank-Offering	22000.00
Total	$43190.59

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$28096.00
Expenses, Jubilee Hospital	900.58
Expenses, Miller's Ferry	355.60
Expenses, Camden	722.57
Expenses, Prairie	601.10
Expenses, Chase City	212.00
Insurance	382.90
Range for Arlington	267.00
Travel of Missionaries	210.98
Mr. Wilson's Con'v'n Expenses	80.00
Budget, Expense of Committee and Delegates	357.00
Total	$32185.73

Total Receipts	$43190.59
Total Disbursements	$32185.73
Balance April 16, 1928	$11004.86

ISAIAH 41 : 6 FUND

This fund is one which grows more and more popular as the time goes by. It is one which appeals to every one who has his neighbor's interest at heart. Those contributing have the joy of knowing that they are adding to the happiness of many, who without this fund could not hope to attend the Annual Convention and to receive the inspiration they derive from it. Thirteen presbyterials have been helped this year, and our receipts were $1849.97, and this with a nice balance from last year made it possible to help many. May the good work go on.

Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson.

AMERICA DOING GREAT SERVICE FOR THE WORLD

"You Americans are doing a much more important thing than you realize, one which has significance not for America alone but for the whole world. The twelve million Negroes in this country are but a small part of the world's colored population and the relation of the two races here is only a segment of a world-wide problem of racial attitudes. Great Britain alone is dealing with a vastly greater native population in Africa and with some three hundred million inhabitants of India.

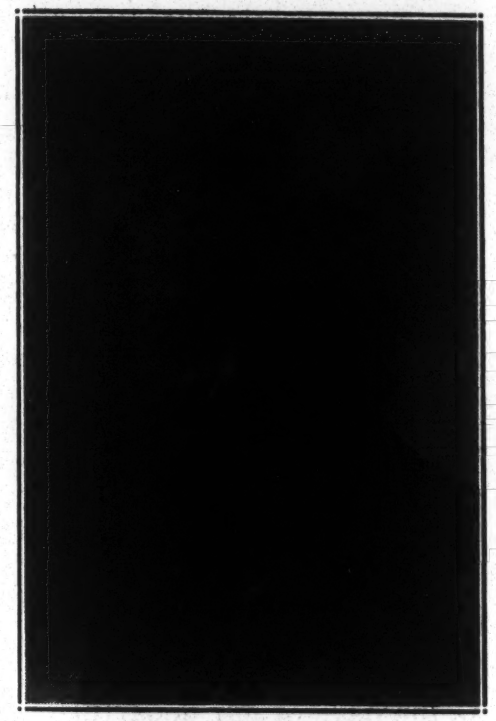
"The best minds among the British people are earnestly seeking the right solution of this tangled web of race relations. They are looking hopefully to America where the problem seems to be clearing up through mutual efforts to promote understanding, sympathy and helpfulness between the races. You may feel encouraged, therefore, to go forward with your efforts, seeing that they mean so much to millions of people in other lands."

—Kenneth Maclennan, Secretary of the Missionary Conference of Great Britain and Ireland.

REPORT OF

AMERICAN INDIAN MISSION

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1928



MRS. J. FRENCH KERR
Indian Secretary

THE duties of our Missionaries to the North American Indian are steep and lofty, hard to climb, a call for whole time service, day and night. Perhaps our Indian work has not kept pace with the progress elsewhere, but advancement has been accomplished despite handicaps.

The secret of the happy lives of our Indian Missionaries, is being in the place where God wants them to be, doing the work God bids them to do. "He is the same yesterday, today and forever." "Everything changes but God changes not."

The number of Indian children attending State Public Schools increases from year to year. A number of Indians have obtained their education in the Public Schools like other citizens of the States, which is an evidence of the gradual advancement of these races to a place in the body politic. During the School year of 1926-1927, 35,124 Indian children attended public schools.

Let our prayer be that there may be those among them that will be spiritual leaders among their own people.

"If ye ask, I will do."

WARM SPRING, OREGON

During the year we have tried to be faithful stewards as those who must give account. The one thing uppermost in our minds is that we may reach each individuals for Christ. We have been having very earnest

REV. R. H. BARR, Ph. D.
Warm Spring, Oregon.

talks with all those with whom we come in contact in the above way. We are trying to show these people that our Saviour means more to us than all the world. That He is our Life, our Light, and our Good Shepherd; and without Him we could not live. We are making an earnest effort to get these Indians to promise to read God's word. If they do not have a copy we supply them a Gospel, and try to follow it up. For example we placed a Gospel in the hands of a man who is the leader of a false system of religion; after having an earnest talk with him, both he and his daughter

are now quite interested. The man's wife says he reads in the new Testament every evening by lamp light. This is the most helpful sign of an awakening among these people. God's word alone is the living word, whether spoken or read, and we are endeavoring to persuade the Indians to give God a chance to speak to their hearts.

Two of our members died during the year: a young man and an old lady. The young man died with prayer upon his lips.

The work among the young people in school has gone on about as usual. The total attendance for the year has been about one hundred and fifty. They are all required to attend Sabbath School. The older ones attend the Wednesday evening Bible Study, the Young People's Society and the Sabbath evening preaching service.

At Seeksequa Chapel we have good attendance of the Piute Indians during most of the year. We had a very happy Christmas entertainment. Different Missionary Societies of our church sent many useful presents for the Indians, and it was a real pleasure getting ready for that long looked-for occasion. We told the people about these wonderful friends who have been so good to us year after year—no one could remember how many years. We tried to make it clear that these faithful and kind friends were none other than Christians, and that in the name of Jesus, whom they love and follow, each year they work and sacrifice that their Indian friends too may love and follow the same Saviour.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Barr.

SIMNASHO, OREGON

On October 1, 1927, we left the work among the Indians at Simnasho, Oregon, to take up work at Glencullen, Oregon. The call to enter the work at Glencullen came without solicitation on our part. The privilege of once more living among, having fellowship with, and serving Christian people of our own race, made a tremendous appeal to our hearts. After much deliberation and much prayer we decided to make the change.

REV. AND MRS.
W. A. MATTHEWS
Simnasho, Oregon.

As the days of our departure drew near we began to feel a bit uncomfortable. The poor Indians had been coming in day after day, trying to tell us they were sorry. Some of them said it wasn't right, our going. Their arguments were not convincing but their doleful countenances were. They said perhaps no other man would want to come here. Perhaps if another came he wouldn't like them. They were poor and they knew so little, and then some of their people were so mean. Perhaps we didn't like them any more either.

It would have been the easiest thing in the world during the days of that last week for us to have changed our decision. We were a bit ashamed, I think. It is so hard to keep self and selfishness out when one is trying to make decisions. Really after all we hadn't thought very much about what effect it would have upon the Indians. But certainly some one would be found who would do the work as well or better than we. Anyway thirteen

years was as long as anyone could be expected to stay in an isolated place like Simnasho. And so we reasoned and our decision stood.

Life at Glencullen was all that we expected it to be. How we enjoyed it all; we had a wonderful reception from the Christians and non-Christians alike. A very desirable field. We never doubted that.

But week after week letters came from the Indians. Poor little letters from this one and that one, containing nothing much but all saying that no missionary had come yet and did we think one would ever come. And more and more the conviction grew upon us that we had been selfish. The letters made us ashamed I guess.

We felt better after we decided to come back. One always does when a decision has been made that one feels quite sure is right. Simnasho hasn't one bit more attraction for us than it had the day we left. As a place to live it is much less attractive. But we were glad to come back.

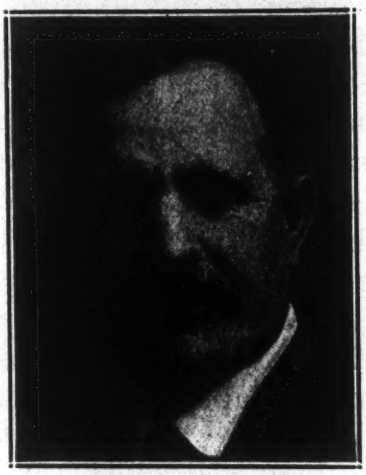
We're glad the Women's Board granted us the privilege. In short we're quite happy about it. Nothing wonderful has been accomplished by us in our work among the Indians, far from it. We are not expecting to accomplish anything wonderful now. But with God's help we do expect to go on sowing the seed even though the harvest has never been large. For precept must be upon precept, line upon line; here a little, and there a little. This is God's way of dealing with men.

Respectfully submitted,
W. A. Matthews.

TAMA, IOWA

The year ending March 31, 1928, we feel has been a successful one, while there has not been anything phenomenal, yet there has been a steady growth. The children who returned from the boarding schools last summer took more interest in church work than ever before.

A few years ago when they would return from the schools they were forced back into the old tribal customs. Only a few weeks and you could not tell them from any other Indians on the Reservation so far as



REV. R. G. SMITH
Tama, Iowa.

their dress and manner were concerned. Now, since a large number have been away in school they seem to be more independent and determined to bring better conditions among their own people. It was com-

MRS. R. G. SMITH
Tama, Iowa.

monly reported twenty years ago that the Musquakie tribe was the most backward tribe in the United States, but we are happy to state that the Indian office at Washington, D. C. reported this year in a communica-

tion with Dr. Breid that the Musquakie tribe led all other tribes in progress. Of course there is still plenty of room for more advancement, but looking back over the twenty-one years we can hardly appreciate that it is the same reservation.

One of the most marked differences is in the care of the babies. The little ones used to be tied down flat on a board, so they could move nothing but their head. The old time wooden cradles seem to be in the discard and the children are much better cared for. We have given out a dozen layettes or partial layettes in the past year, and all have been made good use of. We have also given out fifteen good warm comforts to the old and sick, also six blankets, shirts and sweaters, clothing of all kinds to the children and grown people. Pies, fruit, soup and other foods have been given to the sick.

The most conservative family on the reservation now asks us to pray for them, and we are sure they are reaching out for the Light, even though their physical eyes are blinded. Do pray for this afflicted family. They are all enjoying the singing at our services. Will call for one song after another. We often sing more than half an hour. The Sanatorium work is still very enjoyable. The sick children are very appreciative. Their Easter morning service was beautiful. We had a very nice Easter Communion Service, fourteen were baptized and received in the church; there were also six infant baptisms.

Respectfully submitted,

R. G. Smith.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF INDIAN MISSIONS

April 16, 1927 to April 16, 1928

Credit Balance, April 16, 1927		$ 5990.54
RECEIPTS		
BY		
Presbyterials	$6217.00	
1926 Thank-Offering	1000.00	
Refunds	11.55	
Individuals	4.00	$ 7232.55
		$13223.09
DISBURSEMENTS		
TO		
Salaries	$3625.00	
Budget, Council of Women for H. M.	30.00	
Expenses of Committee to visit Indian Missions	265.46	
Sabbath School Periodicals	254.61	
Expenses of W. A. Matthews to Convention	173.21	
Expenses of Delegates to Council of Women for H. M.	67.00	
Religious Work Directors	200.00	
Repairs to Warm Spring	127.75	
Interpreters at Warm Spring	200.00	
W. A. Matthews for Range	25.00	
Christmas, Tama	50.00	
Coal, Repairs etc., for Tama	704.63	$ 5722.66
Credit Balance, April 16, 1928		$7500.43

INDIAN MISSIONS N. W. M.

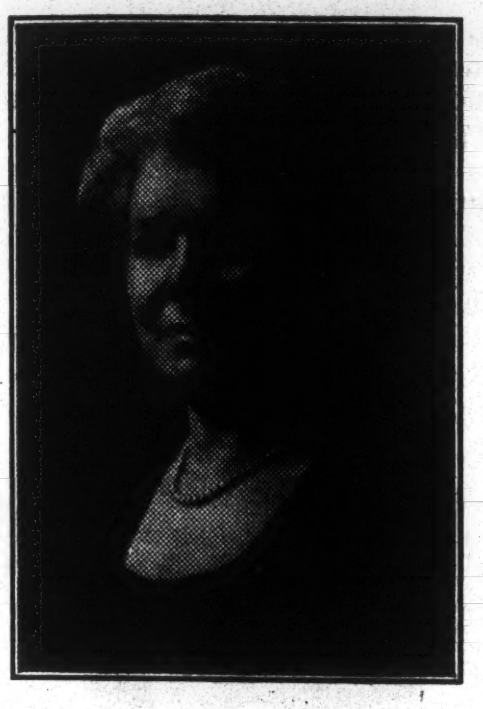
April 16, 1927 to April 16, 1928

Credit Balance, April 16, 1927	$649.86
RECEIPTS	
By New World Distribution	$ 38.90
Credit Balance, April 16, 1928	$688.76

Mrs. J. French Kerr.
Secretary.

REPORT OF

HOME DEPARTMENT



MRS. WM. S. COOK
Home Secretary

DURING the past year this department has been responsible for the support of the following workers:

Six workers among the Aliens.

Three City missionaries.

Five workers in Presbyteries.

Two stations for the Mountain People, located at Frenchburg and Ezel, Ky.

The seven stations where workers are supported among the Aliens are: St. Peter's Italian Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., The Church of The Redeemer, West New York, N. J., Westland and Southview, near Hickory, Pa., Langeloth and Slovan, near Burgettstown, Pa. and the Second Italian, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mrs. Grazia Balducci, missionary in St. Peter's Italian Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., reports the distribution of 137

MRS. GRAZIA BALDUCCI
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Bibles and the Gospels. The sewing and music classes have been well attended. The mothers could not find time to come to Mothers' Meetings, so the missionary takes the message to them in their homes. Twenty-two new Sabbath School pupils and twelve united with the church.

MRS. A. CALIANDRO
West New York, N. J.

Mrs. Anthony Caliandro, (who is a member of this convention) is the missionary in the Church of The Redeemer, West New York, N. J. Their beautiful new church, dedicated last June, stands in the midst of a large Italian community, as a witness for

Christ. Many new families have become interested and attend regularly.

The Sabbath School for children, in English, has an enrollment of 50. The Y. P. C. U. has a membership of 20. This society was started with absolutely new material. None had ever belonged, and few had ever attended meetings of this kind. Now nearly all have taken part in discussion and prayer, and ten have led the meetings.

The Y. P. C. U. of the Presbytery was entertained in this church, as was also the Women's Presbyterial. Supper was served to both organizations. Two concerts for the benefit of the Organ Fund have been given with violin, harp, piano and cello selections. This church is known as "the church with the beautiful music."

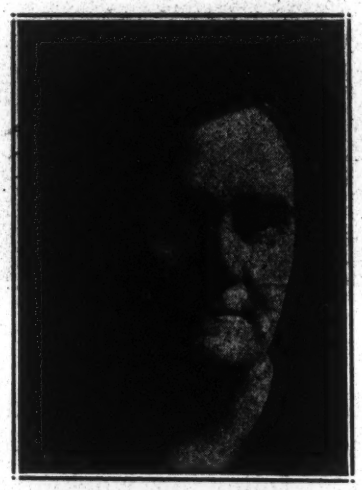
The community which seemed hostile at first, is now sympathetic and friendly. We are endeavoring to make this church a power for Christ in this community.

MRS. MAUD MORRISON
Hickory, Pa.

Mrs. Maud Morrison the missionary at Westland, tells how hard it is to build up a congregation in a coal mining town, when labor conditions are as they are at present. A prayer and praise service is held Sabbath morning, since we have no pastor. The Sabbath School enrollment is 108. The mid-week prayer meeting has an average attendance of 15. The missionary teaches a Bible Study class of twenty members, each Sabbath evening following the meeting of the Y. P. C. U. The latter has paid its dollar per member to the Memorial Fund, and $10.00 to the Pollock Fund.

The Junior's sent a box of their own handwork to the Frenchburg, Kentucky mission, and $30.00 to the W. G. M. S. The Women's Missionary Society gave $74.35. Six united with the church during the year.

SOUTHVIEW MISSION



MISS DORA COWDEN
Hickory, Pa.

Miss Dora Cowden is in charge of this mission. It too is in the coal field and has passed through trying times, which are not over. The Sabbath School has prospered through it all, and has had an average attendance of fifty-one. It has been necessary to do a great deal of charity work this year, giving out both food and clothing. The Christian people of this community gave donations, and several boxes from different societies helped to meet the needs.

Twelve united with the church during the year.

LANGELOTH AND SLOVAN

Miss Grace Welch is the worker in these two stations.

At Langeloth a new church was dedicated during the year, and the

MISS GRACE WELCH
(Aliens)
Langeloth, Pa.

MRS. MARY CIANCO
(Italians)
Pittsburgh, Pa.

people have taken more interest and more responsibility. There was an increase of twenty in membership and an increase of $400.00 in offerings, besides making a payment of $1000.00 on the church mortgage.

At Slovan the greatest response is from the children and young people; twenty-one new members in the Sabbath School, and eleven new in the Junior society. The Junior Thank-Offering was $7.00.

At Langeloth the Women's Society gave $25.00 and the Junior's $6.00.

The average per member in church offerings was $10.00.

Eleven of the Slovan mission united with the church at Burgettstown.

A Bible is placed in every home represented in any of our church organizations, and the missionary adds "we find this means of sowing the seed is bearing fruit, as there is an increased interest in Bible study.

SECOND ITALIAN CHURCH
PITTSBURGH, PA.

Mrs. Mary Ciancio has continued in this mission during the year. Nine new members were received into the church, making the present enrollment 60. The Sabbath School enrollment is 72. Contributions from the Sabbath School were $60.00. Three babies were baptized; there were two marriages and two funerals. Have a splendid Young People's Society of twenty-five members. Twelve members in the Women's Missionary Society. Many Testaments and Bibles have been given out.

CITY MISSIONS

Our City Missionaries have worked in Mansfield, Ohio; Gary, Indiana; and the Fourth Church, Spokane, Washington.

MISS ELLA MONTGOMERY
Mansfield, Ohio.

Miss Ella Montgomery is now in her fourth year at East Mansfield,

Ohio. The Sabbath School has an enrollment of 175 with a regular attendance for the past six months of 124. There has been a growing interest in the young people's department of thirty-five members with an average attendance of twenty-five. "Little's Cross and Crown System" has been used throughout the year. In fifteen months forty gold pins, the reward for twelve months perfect attendance, have been given out. The Sabbath School offerings amounted to $272.00, an increase of $45.00 over last year. The church offerings were $260.00.

Miss Sarah Loucks closed her work in Gary, Indiana, the last of January.

She reports for the ten months, meetings attended—312; meetings conducted—39; meetings addressed—37; classes taught—106; calls made—1081. During the ten months 37 united with the church.

The Sabbath School is in a flourishing condition. The teachers are interested in personal work among their pupils.

The Young People are outstripping their fine achievements of last year. They have won the silver Trophy Cup for the best record, and at the winter rally carried away the banner for the largest attendance. They are exerting a power for good which is being felt even beyond the local church and community.

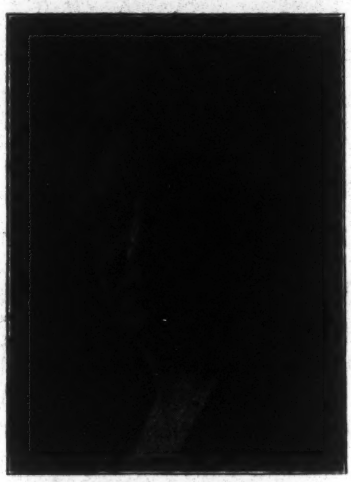
The Women's Missionary Society has made fine advancement in numbers, efficiency and consecrated service. The Thank-Offering overreached the goal.

Miss Loucks adds, "If one were to seek the cause of the fine success of the work here, he would find it, I believe, in the strong prayer life, earnest study of the Word and untiring evangelistic efforts of a far from small group of consecrated laborers in this part of the Master's vineyard."

"I leave the work here with sorrow that I must go, but with joy that the privilege has been mine to have had even a small part in the sowing and reaping in this needy, so needy, field".

Our prayers go with Miss Loucks to her new field. We regret to lose her, but what is our loss is gain to the foreign Baptist field.

FOURTH SPOKANE



MISS LAURA SAWHILL
Spokane, Wash.

Miss Laura Sawhill reports—Services were held every Sabbath of the year. Preaching every evening by Philip Laurie.

Evening services have been more faithfully attended than at any previous time.

Average attendance	23
Sabbath School Enrollment	135
New Members enrolled	48
New Members (by certificate)	1

For a sufficient number of capable, efficient workers in the Sabbath School we now thank the Lord.

Twelve members of the Junior Society were graduated into the Christian Endeavor Society and thus, with others form a new Christian Endeavor Society of thirty members. This society's meetings take the place of the regular Morning Service.

There are eight new members in the Junior Society.

Held a two-weeks session Vacation Bible School. Enrollment was thirty.

Conducted a three-day-a-week Kin-

dergarten for six months. Ten to fifteen enrolled.

The weekly congregational Prayer Meetings have proved helpful to all. Religious and every-day problems have been discussed at these meetings.

*Total Contributions	$360.00
Thank-Offerings	7.00
Paid to Missions	36.00
Average per member	22.00

(*) This is an increase over last year). Lack of employment has been a serious handicap to many in this community.

MISSIONARIES IN PRESBYTERIES

MISS SALLIE E. DICKEY
Chicopee, Mass.

Miss Sallie Dickey was appointed missionary to work in Boston Presbytery, and began at Chicopee the middle of January. During this time she has worked in Church, Sabbath School, Christian Endeavor and Missionary Society to build up and extend the Kingdom of God. The Junior Missionary Society has been reorganized with thirty-four real live boys and girls. The superintendent of the Little Light Bearers had twenty-three under six years of age enrolled. The money given by the latter organization was given to the babies in Emma Dean Anderson's home in India. The Lord's Supper was observed on April 8th, at which time nine new members were received into the church, of whom five were adults and four junior boys and girls. The Women's Missionary Society will observe the ten o'clock hour of prayer Tuesday mornings and will spend more time in prayer at their monthly meetings .

Miss Dickey adds; "it has been a very happy time for me and, I hope, a profitable one for us all, as we sought to realize the meaning of Christ's promise of His presence, His blessing and answer to our prayer". Miss Dickey is now at Thompsonville, Conn.

Mrs. J. C. Alter was appointed to work in Oklahoma Presbytery and began at Blair, Oklahoma, September the first. She visited in the homes of members and adherents, also other homes as opportunity occurred. Assisted in all the activities of the church, and took charge of the Sabbath day services in the absence of the pastor. Was transferred to Oklahoma City in November. Organized an Intermediate Society, took part in Missionary Federation program on World Day of Prayer, conducted study on "A Straight Way Toward Tomorrow" and has helped in all the activities of the church, in a widely scattered field. Mrs. Alter is now at Roosevelt, Oklahoma.

ANNUAL REPORT OF COLORADO PRESBYTERY

The Missionary has worked three months in each of the following fields during the past year; Pueblo, Canon City, Colorado Springs, Colorado and Torrington, Wyoming.

"As we review the year's work, we are grateful to God, for we feel we have had a good year. We hope that it has not been in vain, but that it has been good in all that the term implies, and that in the highest, truest and best sense the lives of our people have been enriched and ennobled. We have endeavored to emphasize the things that mean most in the home life of the people.

The work in Pueblo, the first field

is very encouraging. We have a large area, which means that our church is responsible for the salvation of many people.

During my stay there, nine persons confessed Christ and united with the church. Two of these, a mother and her son, came to us from the Catholic faith. The ordinance of baptism was administered to four adults. Fifteen new members were added to the Sabbath School roll. The Missionary had charge of three Sabbath Services during the Pastor's absence.

MISS ELIZABETH McMILLAN
Colorado Springs, Colo.

Sabbath evening, April 24th, ten of our young people entered a Bible Reading contest. A large audience listened to the Word read by these fine young people. Three judges determined the winners, who received Bibles as prizes.

Canon City, the next place on my itinerary, has gone forward in every department, due to the efforts of a faithful pastor. Sabbath, August 28th, was truly a red letter day in the Canon City congregation, when eighteen were received into the church membership; two by letter; two by re-profession of their faith, and sixteen by profession of their faith. Thirteen of the eighteen received the Sacrament of Baptism. The membership re-dedicated themselves anew to the vows of the church. The prayer meeting has more than doubled.

A Young Women's Missionary Society has been organized and eighteen new members were added to the Sabbath School roll during my stay with them.

September 15th, I entered a new field in South Torrington, Wyoming, where a new settlement surrounding the Sugar Factory and the Union Pacific Round House has recently sprung into being.

It was an exceedingly needy field. We organized a little Sabbath School with five people, but it soon increased to forty. Also a Mothers' Bible Study Class with fifteen members and a mid-week Prayer Meeting at the homes, were organized . We believe we have laid here firm foundations in the confidence and good-will of the people.

We were sorry to have to close the work just when it was beginning to bear fruit, for we believe a number of these people and some of the children were ready to accept Christ. The community of South Torrington is not sufficiently large, nor of such a substantial character as to make the establishment of a mission in South Torrington practicable just yet.

Rev. and Mrs. James A. Gordon are striving to keep in touch with this work by providing for the transportation of the children over to Torrington Sabbath School and are doing pastoral visiting to keep up the interest of these people. Rev. and Mrs. Gordon are tireless workers. They are surely winning many people for Christ and the Church in Torrington.

December, 16th I came back to Colorado Springs, Colorado. The work here was rather difficult, owing to there being no pastor on the field for about seven months. However, we are glad to report that Dr. James D. Barr from New Wilmington, Pa., has come during the past month and the work is going forward in every department.

The Sabbath School attendance has increased from fifty-two to ninety-seven. The offerings also increased from an average of $10.40 to $19.21, during the three months. A new Sabbath School class has been organized recently with fifteen members; now they have eighteen fine young girls, full of life and enthusiasm. We hope that these young lives may be won for Christ in the near future. A Christmas program, Sabbath evening, December 25th, was given by the children of the church in observance of the birth of our Lord. A Young Women's Missionary Society of eleven members has been organized and is doing well. December 28th, a Junior Missionary Society was re-organized with nineteen members; now they have over thirty enrolled.

Gospels were distributed in daily calling. Food and clothing were provided for poor families in touch with our missions. We are glad to report three missionary societies in each of the four mission congregations in Colorado Presbytery. We are grateful to God to have steady pastors in these four mission fields.

A tabulated report of the year's work, is as follows:

New Sabbath School Scholars	92
United with the Church	27
Meetings conducted	72
Meetings attended	286
Communicant Classes taught	2
Calls made	1558

Through the kindness of the Women's Board, the missionary is retained another year in Colorado Presbytery. We hope and pray that many people may be won for the Master this year. We desire also to extend our thanks to the many friends who have been 'helpers together by prayer.'"

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth McMillan.

ANNUAL REPORT OF MISSIONARY IN LOS ANGELES PRESBYTERY FOR 1927.

Working in Beverly Vista Community Church, under Rev. J. K. Stewart.

On the first Sabbath of February 1927, Rev. J. K. Stewart organized the Sabbath School, fifty-one being present. There were four classes, Primary, Adult, Boys and Girls. The place of meeting was the music room of the Beverly Vista Grade School, by the courtesy of the Beverly Hills Board of Education. Morning worship was held at eleven o'clock, and these two services have been held every Sabbath morning since.

The attendance has increased, so it has been necessary to meet in the Kindergarten building since last spring.

We now have 325 on the Sabbath School roll with twelve classes, with a record attendance of 211. We have an orchestra of seven pieces.

The congregation was organized October, 1927, with sixty-four members. Five more have been added since then.

The church elected four elders from its own membership, also seven trustees.

The Council of Women or Women's Missionary Society has thirty members.

The ground for the new church building was broken March 30th, 1928, with appropriate exercises.

Let us all pray that this young church in Beverly Hills may grow as our Lord did, "in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and man".

Respectfully submitted,
(Mrs. J. P.) Ada M. Tracey,
Missionary.
April 1, 1928. 240 So. Rexford Dr.
Beverly Hills, Calif.

WORK FOR THE MOUNTAIN PEOPLE

The fourth mile-stone in the life of the Ezel, Kentucky mission has just been passed. It may not be out of place to look back over these four years and briefly review "what God

hath wrought". On the material side we find a new church building complete in every way, a modern school building, housing an elementary and High School of the first class, a modern, equipped home for the Superintendent's family and the faculty, a farm of thirteen acres with a cottage and an athletic field of four acres.

EZEL MISSION STAFF

Front row, left to right—Misses Ruth Bemis, Helen Weede, Martha Wright, Lucile Artman.
Middle row, left to right—Miss Esther Dill, Rev. H. M. Brittain, Mrs. H. M. Brittain.
Back row, left to right—Miss Mabel Jones, Mrs. W. S. Cook, Home Mission Secretary, Mrs. W. R. McMunn, Junior Secretary.

We have back of the Church a power house equipped with a Delco plant which furnishes electricity and water for all the buildings. We have altogether some twenty acres of land most of which was donated by the community. On the spiritual side we have a thoroughly organized congregation with all the different departments, the Sabbath School efficiently manned by one of our native workers and a Session of four consecrated men. The improvements developed by these institutions have had a wonderful influence upon the community on the physical side as well as the spiritual. We see many improvements made in the home inside and out. One who has not visited the community for some years said he could feel and see the change as soon as he entered the village. But what is vastly more important, there has been a remarkable development along the spiritual and cultural side. We have enrolled in the elementary department of the school, 106 with 34 in High School. We have been encouraged by the growth in our High School which began four years ago with five. There are very good prospects for a very much enlarged enrollment for next year with a large class coming on from the 8th grade. We graduate this year five from High School and seventeen from the elementary department. This is the first High School class that has completed with us the full four years course. The class has done splendid work and will be a credit to our School in the years to come. We would like to acquaint you with their names, Misses Daisy G. Rose, Alma Bolin and Walsa L. Combs and Messrs. Monroe M. Murphy and J. Stanley Trimble.

Miss Daisy Rose has been presented with a scholarship for four years by Oxford College for Women, Oxford, Ohio. As these notes are being written our commencement season has begun. The first event was the reception by the Faculty to the Senior Class at the Teachers' Home. A delightful evening was spent. The class colors, green and white, were carried out in the refreshments.

Saturday evening May, 12th is the Class Night, Sabbath evening the Baccalaureate Service, the sermon to be preached by Rev. R. A. McConagha, D. D., Superintendent of our work at Stanton, Kentucky, Monday the joint Grades program and presentation of 8th Grade diplomas, Tuesday night, an operetta "Miss Cherry Blossom", Wednesday night High School Commencement exercises. The address will be given by Rev. John E. Simpson of Pittsburgh, Pa.

We always welcome our Home Secretary, Mrs. Wm. S. Cook. No Com-

mencement season would be complete without her. We also expect to welcome Mrs. W. R. McMunn as the additional representative from the Women's Board. The Faculty and Community look forward all year to the annual visits of the representatives of the Women's Board.

We would bear grateful testimony to the devotion and loyalty of our staff of workers. They have faithfully performed their tasks not only in the school room but in all the church activities. Their visits in the homes of our people have been a blessing. It is a great event in these homes when the teachers accept their invitations to "go home with them."

Our teaching force is as follows: 1st and 2nd Grades, Miss Martha Wright of Beaver Falls, Pa., 3rd and 4th Grades, Miss Mabel Jones, Garnett, Kansas, 5th and 6th Grades were taught the first semester by Miss Ruth Roberts of Youngstown, Ohio. We were very sorry to lose her on account of illness; her place was taken by Miss Lucile Artman of Pulaski, Pa., 7th and 8th grades, Miss Ruth Bemis of West Middletown, Pa., High School, Miss Elizabeth Duff of Sterling Kansas, Miss Helen V. Weede, Sterling, Kansas and Rev. Howard M. Brittain. Miss Duff resigned at the end of the first semester and her place was filled by Miss Esther Dill of the Music Department.

A new department was added this year, that of Weaving, directed by Mrs. H. M. Brittain. The Senior and Junior girls have developed considerable skill in the weaving of rugs, linen pieces, scarfs, etc. One of the great needs is a Manual Training Department. We have $100 as a beginning of a fund for Manual Training equipment. A Domestic Science Department is also one we hope may be added in the near future. We expect to set out about 200 fruit trees this fall on our farm. The State Highway Department is promising the hard surfacing of our highway this year and when this is accomplished it will open fine markets for our farmers and will no doubt lead to more intensive farming. A large number are now shiping their cream to the dairies.

Our Faculty are all teachers in the Sabbath School. Miss Helen Weede has had the oversight of the Christian Union, Miss Martha Wright, The King's Daughters and Juniors. Miss Ruth Bemis and Miss Mable Jones have had charge of the Second Hand Clothing department assisted by Misses Artman, Wright, Weede and Mrs. Brittain. Through the kindness of friends throughout the Church this department has closed a very successful year. Our friends would feel well repaid if they could hear the expressions of appreciation from the many whom they have helped to comfortably clothe who would otherwise have suffered from the winter's cold. We take this opportunity of thanking all our friends who have so generously remembered us during the past year by gifts of clothing and presents at Christmas time.

We report a Church membership of 78 most of whom are adults living in the community and property owners. We report two received by profession of faith with three adult baptisms. The contributions were to the Budget $250, Specials abroad $45, Specials at home $24, to the Women's Work $182, including a Thank-Offering of $140, Salary by the Congregation $100, congregational expenses $333, Total $934, an average per member $11.97. Of this amount $600 was contributed for purely missionary purposes. When we consider that until four years ago the community contributed nothing to organized Church work, the growth in the grace of giving has been quite remarkable. The Sabbath School enrollment is 129, Women's Missionary Society 20, King's Daughters 18, Juniors 37, Christian Union 23. The Christian Union Society in addition to paying the National and Presbyterial assess-

ments contributed $10 to the Special Object Fund and $45 to the support of an orphan in Fowler Orphanage, Cairo, Egypt. The Society studied this winter the book. "What Shall I do with my Life" by Donnelly. Our Society is planning to send a delegate to the Presbyterial Convention at Oxford, Ohio, in June. One of the outstanding events in our Church work was the week of Evangelistic meetings early in March under the leadership of Rev. McElwee Ross D. D., of McKeesport, Pa. Dr. Ross was formerly the pastor of the Superintendent and an intimate friend of many years. These meetings were preceded by several weeks of cottage prayer meetings. All of these meetings were largely attended and the powerful messages of Dr. Ross and his personal contact with our people resulted in a deepening of the spiritual life of the Community. We have received this year from the Treasurer of the Women's Board for Salaries $6870, coal $300, School Repairs $82.-28, Teacher's traveling Expenses $34.-60, Expenses to General Convention $68.00 Paid direct $350.00 for new Delco Motor and $137.50 for Delco Motor repairs, Total $7842.38. We have had the following local receipts Clothing $717.84, Rent of Farm $75.-00, Donations 130.50, Athletic Fund $148.84, Church Organizations $796.-48, Morgan Co. for coal $75.00, Total $1943.66. We close the year with a balance of $287.55.

The following permanent improvements have been added during the past year, a new safe for the office and an additional Delco motor have been provided by the Women's Board. A used piano was purchased by funds donated by the Young Ladies Society of the 6th Church, Pittsburgh, Pa. The School purchased laboratory equipment amounting to $130 part of the funds being donated by Mrs. Weede of Sterling, Kansas and Ladies of 1st Church, Pittsburgh, Pa., N. S. We have had a number of valuable donations for our library among them Dr. Elliot's Five Foot Library. Mrs. James E. Springer of York, N. Y. donated a valuable set of books from her late husband's library. We have now a reference library of over four hundred volumes and a large fiction library. Two permanent improvements have been added by the community. During the Spring the Athletic Field donated by the community was drained and a base-ball diamond laid off, the cost being paid by the Athletic Association, the tile being furnished by the Women's Board. Another greatly appreciated improvement is a cement side-walk laid from the Teacher's Home to the School building a distance of 200 feet. The money for the material was raised by the Women's Club through the sale of tufted bed spreads, rugs, quilts, etc., the men paying for the work. It is our policy to encourage the local community to do all for themselves that is possible.

Representatives of our Session have attended the meetings of all our Church Courts during the past year, Elder Ellis Ward being a Commissioner to our General Assembly at Washington, D. C. and Elder H. W. Back to our Synod at Columbus, Ohio. The Missionary Society will be represented at the Women's General Missionary Society Convention.

During the year, one of our High School girls, a convert of last year, organized a successful Sabbath School in her community and has acted as Superintendent. God alone can measure the far reaching influences that have gone out into this community. We send our history in through the hills and valleys and it clings there forever. Our record is on high, the day will reveal it.

Respectfully submitted,

Howard M. Brittain.

THE YEAR AT FRENCHBURG

The Cumberland Mountain Mission at Frenchburg, Kentucky, now closes the 19th year of its existence. Begun by one little woman in an abandoned one roomed, frame church building, it now functions, with a working force of over twenty persons, in five large brick buildings, three cottages and a dozen smaller buildings. Starting with a day school and a Sabbath School, it has added new ministries throughout the years: a boarding department; a Church, with organized congregational life; a hospital, with physician in charge; a dairy farm, under excellent and successful management; a vocational training shop; a clothing store for the distribution of used garments to the poor; a basket department, for marketing the products of a native craft; and last of all, a print shop, the only one in the county. All this development has been due to the nurturing care of the United Presbyterian women, through their "Women's Board". Today Frenchburg School has a reputation throughout the mountains of Kentucky, for its thoroughness, its strict moral standards, its excellent equipment and its care of the students.

It is our privilege to report to the Church the following facts and figures as indications of the progress or the retrogression of the work.

THE SCHOOL

The gradual depopulation of the poorer mountain country is again apparent in the local day school enrollment from the immediate Frenchburg district. The mountains of our state and other parts of the commonwealth, as well, are sending thousands of their citizens into the States of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, either to the farms or the factories of those states. Menifee County, always near the bottom of the list both agriculturally and industrially, has contributed a large proportion of her population to this trans-Ohio emigration. The

FRENCHBURG WORKERS.

Back row, left to right—S. M. Phelps, Principal; H. T. Wigginton, Engineer; Mrs. H. Ray Shear, H. S. Teacher; Bernice McDowell, 7th Grade; Edna Sutton, 1st and 2nd Grades.

Middle row, left to right—Mae Beveridge, Dining Matron; E. Isabel Kerr, 5th and 6th Grades; Margaret Beveridge, Secretary; Mrs. H. T. Wigginton; Mary Hoffman, Music; H. Ray Shear, Superintendent; M. H. McDowell, H. S. Teacher and Farm Manager.

Bottom row, left to right—Mrs. Catherine Pollock, Matron; Mrs. S. M. Phelps; Lucile Garth, 3rd and 4th Grades; Thelma Porter, H. S. Teacher; Sara Willson, 8th Grade; W. R. Tabb, Vocational, Agriculture and Coach.

school census just completed shows 132 children of school age in the village district here. But through our dormitories and boarding department we are serving every year an increasing number of pupils from homes scattered throughout the county and from other mountain counties. Our total enrollment for the year is 250. Of these 70 are in the High School and the rest in the various grades of the elementary department. We are graduating from the High School a class of six and from the eighth grade approximately twenty. To bring this many to such a point is a task that can be but little appreciated by those who do not know the tremendous handicaps, under which most of our students labor. Seven is the highest number ever to graduate from Frenchburg High School in any year.

The Smith-Hughes Vocational Agricultural Course has been tried for two years. The problem of supplying student projects for our boarding students, as required by the provisions of the Smith-Hughes law, has proved too great for us and we will drop back next year to the two year vocational course instead of the four year agricultural program as at present. This does not mean the abandonment of the vocational program, but simply means we have decided on a course that is better adapted to our conditions. We are acting in this matter on the advice of the State Director, who understands our situation fairly well. Agriculture, Wood Shop, Cooking and Sewing Classes will be continued as in the past.

CHURCH

The event of outstanding importance in our Church life is the completion and dedication of the beautiful, new house of worship, almost a year ago. This building, erected with Life Directorship Funds of the W. G. M. S., provides a splendid basement, social and lecture room, several convenient Sabbath School rooms, a study for the pastor, and a commodious and comfortable auditorium, all in the best taste and arrangement. We have a Sabbath School averaging 150 in attendance and a congregation of 85 loyal members. This congregation paid on the budget this year $475.00, to the salary of the pastor $561.00, to Women's Work $227.00, to outside benevolences $58.00 and to Congregational Building Fund and Current Expense $629.00. The Salary item deserves special mention.

SABBATH MORNING GROUP, FRENCHBURG.

Only last year did the congregation assume any measure of self support, by contributing $100 toward the salary. This year you will note they contributed over five and a half times that amount. Inasmuch as the Superintendent of the Mission is also the pastor, and is expected to give only one half time to the church (In practice he gives much less) it is only fair to say that the congregation is fast approaching the point of self support.

work also enlarges the scope of our hospital and medical service, and introduces many to our care who would otherwise have turned from us because of superstition, fear or ignorance.

The campus has been visited this spring with regular waves of children's diseases. In the case of boarding pupils, this means that the entire care of them rests upon the institution. We have had twenty in bed at

HOSPITAL, FRENCHBURG.

HOSPITAL

At the hospital the entire year has been a thrice busy one. In-patients and out-patients, emergencies, clinics, epidemics—have followed each other in rapid succession. We have just now, at the time of writing, gone through a two day clinic for trachoma, with the help of the Federal Trachoma surgeon from the special government hospital at Richmond, Kentucky. The Rockefeller Foundation has made possible for this mountain county, for this year and next, the services of a health director and public health nurse. These valuable workers have been on the field since October last and are doing excellent service all over the county. Their

once, taxing the facilities of the hospital and the strength of the doctors and nurses. Students and teachers have become emergency nurses. At such times as these you can well imagine how welcome is the sight of our faithful Dr. Esther Mitchell and her little brown bag.

FARM

At the farm the usual routine of a dairy and general farm continues with success. Winter milk production has been good, though expensive, and the supply has taken care of our campus families, hospital and the overflowing dormitory. That means we have provided abundant milk supplies for over 120 people all winter. Student labor has been employed

more extensively and more satisfactorily this year. Large stores of fire wood, carefully sawed, split and stacked testify to one of the student labor enterprises on the farm. The farm has also continued to supply regularly fresh slaughtered meats and fowls during the winter, as well as eggs and milk. Mr. McDowell puts in the better part of the school day in the school room but lives at the farm, and gives to it not only his efficient management, but a marvelous amount of genuine hard work and long hours. Mr. Emmett Akers is his man "Friday" and a splendid man for the job.

CLOTHING

The basement room of the main school building, which has been used as a clothing store for several years was remodeled this past summer into a rather convenient room for the purpose. The women of our congregations have been most bountiful in their gifts of clothing, and we have exceeded all limits both in the number of people served and the territory covered by this beneficence. Literally hundreds of folks, from four mountain counties have depended on us for their clothing supplies. The goods are sold at a low figure, and in a few cases donated outright. We are trying to discourage the kind of charity which simply hands out without question. The net income from the clothing sales this year exceeded $2,400.00. This has paid our entire bill for coal and a large part of the bill for gasoline and oil for running power and light plant.

BASKETS

Baskets, made by skilled mountain men and women of the county, in their own homes, continue to be an interesting side line of our work, often stimulating an interest in the mountain folks, and bringing both to them and to the school an added means of subsistence.

OUR GREAT NEED

The present crying need of the Frenchburg Mission is a dormitory for boys. We have none at present, but are housing thirty boys in one floor of the building which is now needed entirely for girls. The idea of a new building for boys has been approved by the Board and it is their hope and ours that money may be found to carry out plans that are now being so carefully worked out. This need is obvious to the most casual visitor. We have this year packed thirty-five boys and forty-five girls under one roof, eating and sleeping and playing. To supervise this large group of girls and boys together is a task for one of giant proportions in strength, tact, firmness, sympathy and patience. Surely the Church will come to our aid so that we who are far below the stature of giants may survive under the burden.

Respectfully submitted,
H. Ray Shear.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Credit balance April 15, 1927	$15,874.52
Total receipts including Thank-Offering	42,090.42
Disbursements	44,019.86

Of this amount $35,450.00 was for salaries alone.

In addition to the above $7,631.23 was paid from the Life Directorship Fund to complete the new church at Frenchburg, Kentucky, erected from this fund.

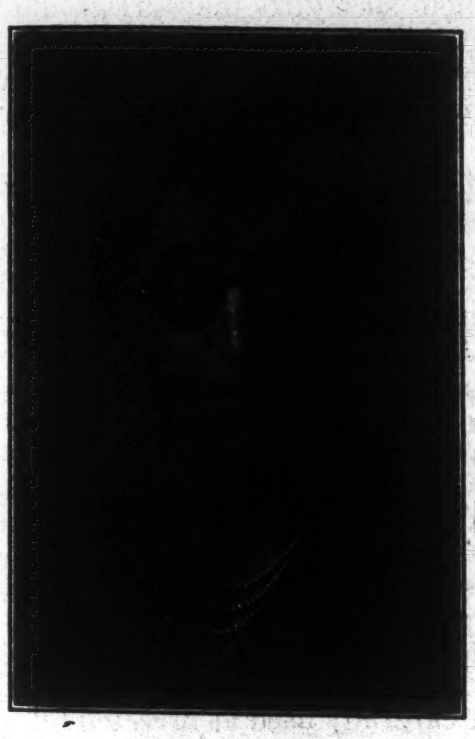
We ask your continued interest in prayer for the work and the workers, in gifts of new and second hand clothing, in scholarships and in assuming salaries of some Home Missionaries.

We are grateful for the S. A. Buck Scholarship, the income of which is used to help worthy mountain boys and girls obtain a Christian education.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Wm. S. Cook,
Home Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT

APRIL 15, 1927 TO APRIL 15, 1928



MRS. J. B. HILL
Treasurer

AS WE look back over the work of this department during the year just closed, our hearts are filled with gratitude to the Giver of all blessings for His gracious dealings with us. We would "give thanks and bless His name, His loving kindness changeth not, from age to age the same."

Through the good hand of our God upon us, we have been enabled again to meet all our obligations during the year, and close every department with a credit balance with which to enter upon the work of the New Year. Praise His name!

The total receipts for the year amount to $521,555.06, $45,173.93 less than those of last year. This is an unusually large decrease, but it is encouraging to note that the loss is due to the marked decrease shown this year in the New World Movement, Junior Life Membership and Life Directorship receipts, and not to a decrease in the regular funds contributed to the various lines of Mission work.

The New World Movement receipts during the year ending April 15, 1927, were $30,437.30, while during the year just closed they were only $19,493.49, almost $10,000 less. This decrease excites no surprise. It was to be expected.

The treasurer's report last year showed that the Junior Life Membership receipts for the year ending April 15, 1927 were $30,667.75, while this year's report for the year just closed shows them to be only $7,105.25, more than $23,000 less.

By the same two reports we learn that this year there was a decrease of almost $16,000 in the Life Directorship receipts.

How account for these decreases, you ask? Life Membership and Life Directorship money has never been used to meet current expenses. When received by the treasurer of the W. G. M. S., it is credited to the Thank-Offering account, and upon the distribution of that fund in June it is transferred to its own proper account.

As soon after as possible, it is invested in First Class Mortgages, to be held until required to meet some urgent need that could not otherwise be provided for, interest as it accrues being added to the fund.

The school house at Ezel, Ky., and the church building at Frenchburg were such needs. These buildings were sorely needed. Home Mission funds were not sufficient to provide for their erection, and after most careful and prayerful consideration, it was decided to use as much of Junior Life Membership money as might be necessary to erect the school building, and of Life Directorship money for the church. Consequently when mortgages belonging to these two accounts matured, the money was not reinvested, but was returned to

its proper account to be used in the erection of these much needed buildings, and thus greatly increased the receipts of these two accounts during the year that closed, April 15, 1927. $28,671.05 of Junior Life Membership money was used in building and furnishing the school house. The total cost of the church was $26,062.48, $25,168.23 being taken from the Life Directorship fund, the balance was contributed for memorial windows, the bell, and the communion table.

The principal sources of our income are the regular funds of societies, supplemented by the annual Thank-Offering.

The receipts from the fifty-seven presbyterials contributing, exclusive of their Thank-Offering, amounted to $160,381.15, an increase of $2,874.41 over those of last year.

The following twenty-five presbyterials made substantial gains over their offerings of the previous year: Allegheny, Arkansas Valley, Beaver Valley, Butler, Caledonia, Cedar Rapids, Chartiers, College Springs, Detroit, Hudson, Kansas City, Keokuk, Lake, Monmouth, Monongahela, Muskingum, Ohio First, Oklahoma, Oregon, Puget Sound, Rock Island, San Francisco, Ohio Northwestern, Steubenville, and Vermont.

The total receipts also include the 1926 Thank-Offering of $173,001.40, the largest sum ever given. This Thank-Offering was reported to our last convention. In June it was distributed to the various accounts as shown in this report, and must therefore be included in the report of the receipts of these departments for the year.

In addition to the receipts from presbyterials, $26,697.93 was received from individuals, Bible classes, Sabbath Schools and congregations, $16,716.60 being for the salaries of foreign missionaries, and the balance for the various lines of work in which the contributors were specially interested. We are profoundly grateful to the donors of these generous gifts for their loyal and much needed support. Without such gifts the work would be sadly crippled.

Other sources of income are annuities, legacies, payments on loans, and interest on invested funds.

The annuities received last year amounted to $18,400 and the money was promptly invested in order to secure the income necessary to pay the annuitants the semi-annual interest due them.

Legacies, amounting to $25,457.61, came into our hands during the year. Through these much appreciated gifts, devoted servants of the Master provided that when called from labor here to reward, their lives should continue to bear fruit in the Master's service. These legacies and annuities are accepted as evidence of the Lord's provision for His work, and they are most carefully used as directed by the donors.

The Mrs. George Moore Memorial Fund is growing very slowly. Only $705.74 was received during the past year, making the total $6,580.70, of which $6,250 has been invested, the interest to be used to provide illustrations for the Magazine, such illustrations always to appear with the name of Mrs. Moore, thus perpetuating her memory. We are still $3,419.30 short of our goal, $10,000.

The Life Directorship roll now contains eighty-eight names, forty-seven on the Active Roll and forty-one on the Memorial. The following names were added during the past year: Helen T. Brown, Mrs. James S. Huey, Mrs. Charles M. Neeld, Mrs. May Prenter Duff, Mrs. Charlotte Miller, in memoriam, and J. P. MacDanel, in memoriam.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

This fund is a most useful one and one for which we are profoundly grateful, as it makes it possible for us to carry cheer, comfort and encour-

agement into the homes of bereaved and afflicted servants of the Master. With this fund we are able to extend financial aid to workers who are disabled by age or broken down by illness. From the nature of the work no publicity is ever given to the names of those helped.

Last year $5,877.90 was received for this work and $6,707.30 was the sum disbursed. With the Apostle Paul, we believe that God will not forget this work and labor of love which we have shown toward His name in that we have ministered to the saints.

Our total disbursements for the year amounted to $524,910.04, $3,000 more than receipts, and much less than the disbursements of last year, owing principally to the fact that much less building was done.

It required $181,367.24 to pay the salaries of missionaries, Home and Foreign, and $22,836 was expended in support of Bible women and their work. $23,864.16 was used to pay the traveling expenses of missionaries to and from their fields of labor and of delegates to the various conferences. $25,000 was sent to India to help pay for the new site for the Sialkot Hospital. $80,000 was needed to support schools and hospitals.

Parsonage loans amounted to $51,474, and $10,950.29 was paid to annuitants. Investments, which included annuities, life membership funds and legacies totalled $75,000. $9,500 of the legacies was the bequest of Mrs. Margaret Simpson, to be added to an annuity of $5,000, the income of the $14,500 to be used to pay the salary of a missionary to Egypt.

The cash balance on hand at the close of the year amounted to $157,768.02. It seems a large balance, but it includes New World Movement funds, building funds and life membership funds totalling almost $50,000, leaving a balance of about $100,000 to work on until societies begin to remit. It will not take long to exhaust this sum with payments averaging between $30,000 and $40,000 per month.

Again we would express heartfelt gratitude to our faithful and efficient presbyterial treasurers for their deep interest in the work for their prompt and regular remittances, for their thoughtfulness and hearty cooperation in the work.

The year has been a very busy one, but its accounts are all now closed, and its record is a part of the past.

"The winding ways of our yesterdays
Were aglow with God's good cheer,
So we turn to face with a smiling grace
The paths of another year.
For He leads aright through the dark and bright
To the land of the leal, we know,
And no ill betides where'er He guides
As on through the years we go."

ANNUAL REPORT

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Treasurer of the Board of Directors

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Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America

TREASURER'S STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND BALANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1928

	Bal. Apr. 15, 1927 Dr.	Bal. Apr. 15, 1927 Cr.	Receipts	Disbur'ts	Bal. Apr. 15, 1928 Dr.	Bal. Apr. 15, 1928 Cr.
Foreign Missions, General	.....	133.76	138655.71	138096.06	.....	693.41
Foreign Missions, N. W. M.	.....	28989.29	30357.27	48958.32	.....	10388.24
Foreign Missions Salaries	.....	44721.32	113440.07	114196.24	.....	43965.15
Girls' Boarding School, Sialkot	.....	117.82	485.00	325.00	.....	277.82
Girls' Boarding School, Sangla Hill	.....	179.45	469.00	570.00	.....	78.45
Girls' Boarding School, Luxor	.....	171.09	332.00	360.00	.....	143.09
Girls' Boarding School, Sargodha	.....	177.00	50.00	225.00	.....	2.00
Girls' Boarding School, Gardaspur	.....	2306.14	.....	.....	.....	2306.14
Girls' Boarding School, Tanta	.....	829.66	5073.00	2795.92	.....	3106.74
Girls' Boarding School, Pasrur	.....	80.50	59.00	112.50	.....	27.00
Sialkot Hospital	.....	1281.60	919.00	800.00	.....	1400.60
Jhelum Hospital	.....	170.60	630.00	460.00	.....	340.60
Tanta Hospital	.....	4012.33	1661.88	2058.60	.....	3615.61
Sargodha Hospital	.....	3.37	118.00	100.00	.....	21.37
Abyssinia Hospital	5892.14	.....	6747.97	701.14	.....	154.69
Foreign Missions, Special	.....	659.79	7640.91	7730.91	.....	569.79
Home Missions, General	.....	15874.52	42090.42	44019.86	.....	13945.08
Home Missions, N. W. M.	.....	7266.32	764.30	.....	.....	8030.62
Indian Missions, U. S.	.....	5990.54	7232.55	5722.66	.....	7500.43
Indian Missions, U. S., N. W. M.	.....	649.86	38.90	.....	.....	688.76
Freedmen's Mission, General	.....	7893.27	35297.32	32185.73	.....	11004.86
Freedmen's Missions N. W. M.	.....	12128.15	2067.06	675.00	.....	13520.21
Church Extension and Parsonage	395.38	.....	63942.71	51135.00	.....	12412.33
Church Extension and Parsonage, N.W.M.	.....	786.00	431.73	.....	.....	1217.73
Junior Special	.....	.....	4440.00	4440.00	.....	.....
Young Women's Special	.....	.....	8619.25	8619.25	.....	.....
Ministerial Relief	.....	4464.52	5877.90	6707.30	.....	3635.12
Orphan's Home, Allegheny	.....	.....	938.50	938.50	.....	.....
Columbia Hospital	.....	.....	434.00	434.00	.....	.....
Aged People's Home	.....	.....	583.51	583.51	.....	.....
Pasrur Hospital for Christians	.....	587.13	23.49	.....	.....	610.62
Contingent Fund	.....	3446.60	11676.54	10616.26	.....	4506.88
Contingent Fund, N. W. M.	.....	1877.82	216.84	1560.00	.....	534.66
Life Memberships, Senior	.....	11146.23	30628.17	33625.00	.....	8149.40
Life Memberships, Junior	.....	6978.63	7105.25	12756.25	.....	1327.63
Life Directorships	.....	4874.01	3801.22	7631.23	.....	1044.00
Temperance and Reform	.....	2652.15	2311.55	1380.28	.....	3583.42
Loan Investments	22035.00	.....	1900.00	.....	20135.00	.....
Legacies	.....	2377.21	25457.61	26055.82	.....	1779.00
Womens Missionary Magazine	.....	.....	649.50	649.50	.....	.....
Investment Income	.....	1990.09	59147.00	59696.51	.....	1440.58
Annuities	.....	.....	18400.00	18400.00	.....	.....
Annuity Expense	.....	.....	10950.29	10950.29	.....	.....
Junior Magazine Fund	.....	200.00	2060.00	2260.00	.....	.....
Mrs. George Moore Memorial	.....	49.96	705.74	425.00	.....	330.70
India Permanent Equipment	.....	7355.54	412.64	.....	.....	7768.18
Rest Home Ramleh	.....	1122.41	120.00	.....	.....	1242.41
Isaiah 41:6	.....	5138.12	1849.97	1273.39	.....	5714.70
407 Fund	.....	12.72	.....	12.72	.....	.....
New World Movement	.....	8650.00	19493.49	28143.49	.....	.....
Surplus Fund	.....	750.00	75.00	.....	.....	825.00
TOTAL	28322.52	198095.52	676381.26	688386.24	20135.00	177903.02
Less Bonds included in cash	.....	8650.00	.....	8650.00	.....	.....
	28322.52	189445.52	676381.26	679736.24	20135.00	177903.02
Less transfer of funds	.....	.....	154826.20	154826.20	.....	.....
	28322.52	189445.52	521555.06	524910.04	20135.00	177903.02

Cash Balance on Hand, April 15, 1927	161123.00
Receipts for the year ending April 15, 1928	521555.06
TOTAL, April 15, 1928	682678.06
Disbursements for the year ending April 15, 1928	524910.04
Cash Balance on Hand	157768.02

Above statement includes in the receipts the amount of the 1926 Thank-Offering.

ANNUITIES

Bonds outstanding April 15, 1927	182866.11
Bonds issued April 15, 1927 to April 15, 1928	18400.00
TOTAL	201266.11
Lapsed from April 15, 1927 to April 15, 1928	1600.00
Bonds outstanding April 15, 1928	199666.11

I hereby certify that the above statements and the accounts of Mrs. J. B. Hill, Treasurer, from which they are taken, including bank deposits and securities owned, are correct and true for the fiscal year ending April 15, 1928.

A. F. SAWHILL, Auditor.

ENDOWMENTS

MARTHA J. McKOWN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, TANTA, EGYPT

Mrs. I. H. Jamison	$1,000.00
John Denham and sisters	1,000.00
Mrs. O. E. P. Stokes	1,000.00
Junior Missionary Society	1,000.00
Mary Gettis Carson	1,000.00
Margaret Armstrong Carson	1,000.00
Mrs. Eliza Clokey	1,000.00
Argyle O. Y. P. C. U.	1,000.00
W. M. S., Chartiers Presbytery	1,000.00
Jane Elizabeth Arnold	1,000.00
Mrs. Mary B. Reid	1,000.00
Margaret Louise Dales	1,000.00
Rev. William Harvey, D.D.	1,000.00
Mrs. Margaret McKallor	1,000.00
Eleanor Porterfield	1,000.00
Rev. Alexander McLeod Milligan	1,000.00
Mrs. Lucy Young	1,200.00
Florence L. Gibson	1,000.00

GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL JHELUM, INDIA

Anna Reid	$ 600.00
Mrs. Sarah A. Reed	600.00
Mrs. Ellen Dean	600.00
Miss Lulu Dean	600.00
Mrs. I. H. Jamison & Miss Herron	600.00
Gordon Memorial	600.00
Mrs. Martha E. Wilson	600.00
M. A. Krohn	600.00
W. M. S., Mercer Presbytery	600.00
Junior Missionary Society	1,000.00
Jane Elizabeth Arnold	350.00
C. D. Bent	600.00
Paul Krohn	600.00
Junior Life Membership	350.00
Florence L. Gibson	600.00

MARY B. REID MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, SARGODHA, INDIA

Mrs. Elizabeth Walker	$300.00

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, SIALKOT, INDIA

Mrs. Mary B. Reid	$ 600.00
Three (3) Junior Life Memberships	1,050.00
Isabel Milligan	600.00
Jane Anita Milligan	350.00
Margaret Williams	350.00
Mrs. A. M. Stewart	650.00
Mr. J. M. Stewart	350.00
Mrs. Elizabeth Adair Currie	600.00
Edith M. Fulton	600.00
Jane Elizabeth Arnold	350.00
Mrs. Ella Easton McGowan	600.00
Mrs. Brown	600.00
Florence L. Gibson	600.00

WHITE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL PASRUR, INDIA

Xenia W. M. S.	$600.00
Florence L. Gibson	600.00

JUBILEE HOSPITAL, HENDERSON, N. C.

Junior Life Membership	$500.00

GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL, TANTA, EGYPT

Ruth Warnock Scholarship	$1,000.00

GEORGE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, ADDIS ABABA, ABYSSINIA

Mrs. Mary J. Webb Baird	$ 500.00
Mrs. Margaret Mabon Bryce	1,000.00
Robert Collins Dornan	1,000.00
Mrs. Anna Moore Hibben	500.00
Miss Belle McConnell	500.00
Rochester, N. Y., Bible School	500.00
Miss Sarah J. Armstrong	500.00
Miss Ellen Heslep	1,500.00
Miss Melinda Pressley	500.00
Mrs. Emma Irwin	500.00
Sara Mabel Patton	1,000.00
Lydia A. Kelly	2,000.00
Margaret M. Davidson	1,000.00

Memorial Beds: Samuel Young, Mrs. Margaret Klein, Theodora and Mary Barr, Helen Gilmore, Margaret T. Sawvell, Mary Harper, Frankfort Presbyterial Room in honor of Hazel Ewing, Mrs. Martha Leitch.

MEMORIAL FUNDS

Mary B. Ashton	$18,634.90
Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Clark	500.00
Maggie J. Hill	1,900.00
Margaret Simpson	14,500.00
Mary Clokey Porter	9,224.18
Avis Cornelia White	2,500.00
Robert Telford	950.00
Eliza McCartney	100.00
Elizabeth Harvey	7,000.00
Ida M. Crothers	9,914.86
Emma J. McWilliams	2,000.00
S. A. Buck Scholarship	1,000.00
Mrs. George Moore	6,250.00
Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson	1,000.00

Income only of above memorial funds to be used.

Mrs. Mary Denham Taylor	30,800.00

Report of the Contributions to the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America

April 15, 1927 to April 15, 1928

PRESBYTERIALS	Foreign Missions	Foreign Salaries	Home Mission	Indian Missions	Freedmen's Missions	Ch. Ex. and Parsonage	Junior Special	Young Women's Special	Ministerial Relief	Contingent Fund	Women's Association	Life Members	Life Directors	Isaiah	Temperance	New World	Mrs. Moore Memorial Fund	Miscellaneous	TOTAL
ny	300.10	212.00	98.00	38.00	46.00	28.00	36.00	30.00	25.00	12.50	30.00			26.85	23.00		12.00		917.45
heny	3533.00	4665.00	1676.00	633.00	873.00	397.00	789.00	685.00	472.00	125.00				163.00	118.00	3640.00	45.68	100.00	17914.68
le	117.75	600.00	611.00	12.00	14.00	9.00	33.00	99.00	11.00	14.10	6.00			17.00	11.00		2.00		1556.85
nsas Valley	157.00	1400.00	112.00	53.00	63.00	37.00	40.00	116.00	38.00	24.05				18.25	33.00	1.00	14.00		2106.30
er Valley	1244.00	2849.00	1218.00	277.00	532.00	187.00	114.00	458.00	211.00	90.00	2.00			95.00	121.00	787.00	32.00		8217.00
Spring	107.00	558.21	126.00	48.00	67.00	13.00	35.00	32.00	18.00	10.00	7.00			11.00	15.00				1047.31
on	478.20	800.00	130.00	48.00	65.00	20.00	41.00	65.00	36.00	20.70				47.00	32.00	7.00	7.30		1797.50
er	832.00	841.00	612.00	303.00	364.00	214.50	188.00	279.00	233.00	49.30	352.00			80.00	130.50	17.00	31.00		4536.30
donia	286.00	819.00	397.00	126.00	152.00	58.00	106.00	277.00	68.00	25.00	82.00			26.00	45.00	3.00	10.00		2480.00
r Rapids	110.00	1381.00	74.00	122.00	52.00	19.00	47.00	101.00	32.00	20.00	13.00			12.00	10.00		3.00		1996.00
tiers	601.00	3121.00	1339.00	291.00	387.00	137.50	222.00	478.00	186.50	82.40	178.00			59.00	132.50	1.00	9.00		7224.90
go	361.00	800.00	328.00	132.00	182.00	107.00	72.00	139.00	118.00	25.45	148.00			47.67	54.00	2.00	25.00		2541.12
land	1356.00	950.00	745.00	225.00	243.00	143.00	218.00	362.00	218.00	75.00	74.00			58.00	81.00	6.00	9.00		4763.00
ge Springs	253.00	1667.00	178.00	73.00	99.00	41.00	35.00	93.00	39.00	50.60	20.50			33.00	39.00	2.00	20.00		2843.10
rado	257.00	800.00	174.00	141.00	140.00	67.00	70.00	158.00	91.00	26.00	3.00			24.00	30.00		4.00		1988.00
ordia	31.00	46.00	43.00	7.00	19.00	2.00	6.00		4.00	2.05				8.00	3.00		4.00		178.05
maugh	144.00	764.00	167.00	53.00	72.00	21.00	25.00	127.00	47.00	31.85	88.00			32.05	32.00		12.00		1615.90
ware	259.00	1014.00	210.50	84.00	109.50	25.50	83.00	164.00	36.00	30.70	32.00			15.00	31.50		6.00		2100.70
Moines	99.00	794.80	80.00	52.00	54.00	17.00	13.00	34.00	39.00	26.00	6.00			12.00	16.00		8.00		1250.00
oit	420.00	13.00	294.00	116.00	145.00	81.00		57.00	64.00	21.20	56.00			17.00	30.00		28.00		1342.20
kfort	51.00	211.80	45.00	12.00	18.00				2.00	4.50				4.50					348.30
son	239.00	841.00	145.00	43.00	47.00	12.00	5.00	21.00	41.00	5.00	40.00			13.00	6.00		3.00		1461.00
o	65.00	124.00	57.00	21.00	22.00	10.00	16.00	12.00	20.00	6.00	7.00			19.00	4.00				383.00
ois Southern	100.00	1146.00	112.00	77.00	88.00	46.00	47.00	97.00	53.00	27.65	47.00			19.00	39.00		16.00		1914.65
ana	55.00	696.00	91.00	27.00	53.00	23.00	47.00	42.00	25.00	17.40	8.00			11.00	21.00	2.00	6.00		1124.40
ana Northern	43.00	19.50	17.00	13.00	14.00	6.00	4.00		6.00	3.80	11.00			15.15	3.00		2.60		158.05
sas City	415.00	1203.00	243.00	91.00	119.00	44.00	70.00	84.00	57.00	27.40	47.00			28.00	37.00		2.00		2467.40
kuk	382.85	800.00	229.00	55.00	41.00	18.00	26.00	59.00	32.00	29.16	7.00			15.00	23.00		2.00		1719.01
iminetas	527.00	291.00	298.00	118.00	160.00	77.00	65.00	164.00	95.00	27.50	79.00			33.00	39.00	1.00	12.00		1986.80
	376.00	759.00	306.00	132.00	192.00	56.00	126.00	249.00	115.00	41.20	60.00			25.00	58.00	4.00	14.00		2513.20
Angeles	596.00	800.00	456.00	159.00	181.00	124.00	123.00	166.00	141.00	31.35				31.00	67.00		12.00		2867.35
sfield	195.00	343.00	185.00	85.00	114.00	25.00	39.00	51.00	30.00	23.00	34.00			16.60	23.00		6.00		1169.60
er	333.00	800.00	223.00	125.00	159.00	47.00	86.00	123.00	51.00	27.00	89.00			31.00	33.00		12.00		2139.00
mouth	838.10	1571.00	230.00	76.00	96.00	26.00	86.00	194.00	39.00	21.60	4.00			20.35	48.00		6.16		3254.81
ongahela	3117.00	14251.00	4167.00	736.00	1638.00	580.00	567.00	1322.00	623.00	180.00				176.00	305.00		9.00		27671.00
kingum	1237.00	1600.00	239.10	143.00	144.00	87.00	91.00	236.00	111.00	41.00	73.00			58.00	57.00		26.00		4143.10
York	5.00		5.00	2.00	2.50					2.00				1.00					17.50
First	989.00	1303.00	357.00	88.00	155.00	88.00	76.00	137.00	110.00	26.30	13.00			28.00	46.00		9.00	372.00	3797.30
homa	104.00	75.00	109.00	38.00	42.00	20.00	6.00	40.00	19.00	11.00	20.00			20.00	17.00	4.00	17.00		542.00
ha	183.00	592.00	100.00	47.00	64.00	33.00	27.00	59.00	52.00	14.95				13.00	20.00				1204.95
on	163.00	808.09	93.00	38.00	71.00	41.00	5.00		51.00	14.00	3.00			30.00	18.00		1.00		1336.00
nee	57.00	600.75	88.00	39.00	36.00	23.00	12.00	61.50	23.00	13.70				13.00	16.00		4.00		986.95
delphia	853.00	1535.00	1257.00	215.00	257.00	134.00	185.00	388.00	154.00	53.65				67.00	81.00		143.00		5322.65
t Sound	424.00	382.00	139.00	76.00	72.00	44.00	44.00	92.00	46.00	17.00	27.00			49.00	19.00		3.00		1434.00
Island	173.00	800.00	193.00	70.00	65.00	26.00	30.00	139.00	46.00	15.70	25.00			18.00	28.00		1.00		1629.70
Francisco	189.00	783.00	108.00	60.00	77.00	38.00	21.00	32.00	50.00	11.78	1.00			23.00	27.00		23.00		1443.78
ey) Ohio N. W.	235.00	1027.00	148.00	61.00	69.00	20.00	37.50	55.00	25.00	17.55	22.00			15.00	21.00	2.00	3.00		1758.05
	65.00	158.00	51.00	26.00	32.00	15.00	14.00	41.00	20.00	3.00	10.00			11.00	9.00				455.00
ville	1192.80	801.00	297.00	99.00	142.00	44.00	32.00	273.75	51.00	32.85	53.00			38.65	31.00	2.00	4.00		3054.05
	184.00		33.00	18.00	37.00	6.00	17.00	2.00	13.00	1.75	12.00			11.00	6.00				325.75
	16.80	138.00	22.00	11.00	10.00	8.00	10.50	12.00	10.00	6.00	11.00			18.00	8.00		3.00		315.30
ompahgre	15.00	30.00	20.00	6.00	6.00	6.00			6.00	2.00				6.00	2.00				99.00
mont	45.00		55.00	20.00	25.00					.70				7.60					153.30
tmoreland	600.50	2450.00	220.00	55.00	60.00	30.00	30.00	60.00	30.00	15.00	30.00			30.00	30.00		10.00		6660.50

ompahgre	15.00	30.00	20.00	6.00	6.00	6.00			6.00	2.00				6.00	2.00				99.0
mont	45.00		55.00	20.00	25.00					.70				7.60					153.3
tmoreland	622.50	3450.00	820.00	262.00	312.00	228.00	233.00	388.00	285.00	49.00				60.00	50.00				6759.5
eeling	372.00	776.00	249.00	80.00	153.00	75.00	25.00	88.00	96.00	33.00	25.00			32.00	25.00	1.00	6.00		2036.0
sconsin	92.00	200.00	95.00	37.00	52.00	19.00	53.00	45.00	30.00	8.00	11.00			8.00	20.00		8.00		678.0
ia	548.00	1635.00	374.00	139.00	180.00	72.00	41.00	192.00	86.00	25.95	66.00			40.60	49.00	3.00	60.00		3511.5
rm Spring Cong.	33.00		33.00	38.00	32.00														136.0
lon Cong.		800.00																	800.0
hranton & Utica Congs.		623.80																	623.8
rth Church, N. S., Pgh.		1249.96																	1249.9
t Los Angeles Cong.		800.00																	800.0
& Mrs. Archie Morrison		800.00																	800.0
Wilmington Cong.		800.00																	800.0
issa Cong.		800.00																	800.0
ris Square S. S.		800.00																	800.0
th Bend Cong.		700.00																	700.0
E. C. Ramsey		800.00																	800.0
h't'r, N. Y. Cong. & S.S.		766.67																	766.6
Church, N. S. Pgh.		300.00																	300.0
rta Cong.		800.00																	800.0
nghurst Cong.		1045.42																	1045.4
te of W. L. Taylor		900.00																	900.0
t Toledo S. S.		150.00																	150.0
ncia Cong.		787.75																	787.7
t Wash. Ia., Cong.		450.00														150.00			600.0
lton, N. Y., S. S.		400.00																	400.0
t End Cong.		1200.00																	1200.0
& Mrs. W. P. Wiegering		800.00																	800.0
Woods Sisters		800.00																	800.0
riend	500.00																		500.0
rance	1400.00																		1400.0
a L'khart Mason Fund	281.59															280.26			561.8
ph A. Kelly	2000.00																		2000.0
J. Cameron	400.00																		400.0
n Ce., Ky. B. of Edu.			888.00																888.0
chburg School			1000.00																1000.0
chburg Cong.			500.00																500.0
strial Departments					359.50														359.5
ities																		18400.00	18400.0
cies																		23206.61	23206.6
onage Repayments						34325.34													34325.3
rned on Loans																7975.00		2825.00	10800.0
stment Income																		59147.00	59147.0
rest	168.37									6005.71									6174.0
Perm't. Equip't																		412.64	412.6
World Move. Com.																3355.61			3355.6
nds	2185.10	134.00	518.37	11.55	74.50									25.70	46.68			10.50	3006.4
viduals, Classes, etc.	3205.03	545.00	915.48	4.00	102.00				73.00						21.37		10.00		4875.8
Thank-Offering	96295.00	203.00	12025.00	1000.00	220 00.00	7000.00			1204.40	3255.49	53.51	24365.00	3600.00					2000.00	173001.4
al Receipts	132511.89	82097.75	36108.45	7232.55	31192.00	45070.84	4440.00	8619.25	5877.90	10896.54	1956.01	24365.00	3600.00	1849.97	2311.55	16245.87	705.74	106473.75	521555.0
ed Annuities	1050.00		550.00																1600.0
cies	8331.47		3051.63		2772.72														14155.3
stment Income	4606.35	3226.25	620.34		432.60	346.87				280.00		13368.42	201.22					13428.29	36510.2
or Special	4440.00																		4440.0
g Women's Special	4359.25	1600.00	1760.00		900.00														8619.2
or Life Members	3606.00																		3606.0
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ign N. W. Movement		20711.32																	20711.3
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stment Income	19096.80				286.50											3247.62			22630.9
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GRAND TOTAL	193342.23	113440.07	42854.72	7271.45	36514.38	64374.44	4440.00	8619.25	5877.90	11893.38	1956.01	37733.42	3801.22	1849.97	2311.55	19493.49	705.74	119902.04	676381.5

LIFE ANNUITY BONDS

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1928

During the year just closed we have issued twenty bonds, amounting to $18,400.00, as shown by the following statement from the Treasurer's books:

Bonds outstanding, April 15, 1927	$182866.11
Bonds issued, April 15, 1927 to April 15, 1928	18400.00
	$201266.11
Lapsed from April 15, 1927 to April 15, 1928	1600.00
Bonds outstanding, April 15, 1928	$199666.11

Three of our annuitants have been called to their heavenly home during the year; Mrs. Anna S. Leal, of Walton, New York, Mrs. Hugh St. Clair, of San Diego, California, and Mrs. Anna C. Lillie, of Wilkinsburg, Pa.

Mrs. Leal desires that her money should be divided between the Home and Foreign Mission Departments. Mrs. St. Clair's money was to be divided between the Home and Foreign Mission Departments, and Mrs. Lillie's money was to be given to Foreign Missions.

The Book says; "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them."

In no more sure way could this Scripture be fulfilled than by the taking out of annuity bonds.

Being a chartered corporation, its Board of Directors and their successors are compelled to use the money exactly as the annuitant shall designate.

The issuing of annuity bonds is one of our greatest encouragements, because it shows us that the Lord is providing for our future needs and is putting it into the hearts of His people to provide for them in this way.

We have never yet asked anyone to take out an annuity bond. We lay our requests before the Master and He knows the needs and He knows the people whose hearts He touches to arrange for these needs.

Bonds may be issued in the names of one or two persons, husband and wife, or even two friends, the interest being computed on the age of the younger. A letter is requested, giving the name of the person that is to receive the entire interest first, the survivor to receive it later.

Class I, where the annuitant is under forty years of age, pays 4½%. Class II. where the annuitant is over forty and under fifty years of age pays 5%. Class III, where the annuitant is over fifty and under seventy years of age pays 6%. Class IV, where the annuitant is seventy years of age or over pays 7%.

The Bonds are issued in the name of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, which is the corporate name of our organization. Being a corporation under the laws of the state of Pennsylvania, all its assets are back of these bonds. That is to say, all the property and other securities owned by the Women's General Missionary Society are liable for the payment of the interest on these bonds. A letter is always required from the person paying the money, stating the age of the annuitant and department of work to which the principal is to be appropriated at the death of the annuitant.

The total amount of annuities outstanding April 15, 1928, is $199,666.-11.

The interest is paid regularly semi-annually. We are hoping that many of our readers will avail themselves of these bonds, not only in providing for a safe investment, but also in providing for the future of the work, which the Lord has committed into the hands of the members of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. H. C. Campbell.

REPORT OF

TESTAMENTARY SECRETARY

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1928

HERE follow abstracts from the Treasurer's books of the Legacy Department:

LEGACIES

April 15, 1927 to April 15, 1928.

Credit Balance, April 15, 1927		$ 2377.21
Receipts		
Elizabeth Johnston, (Franklinville, N. Y.)	$ 500.00	
For Egypt and India		
Mary L. Stormont, (Princeton, Indiana)	250.00	
Mrs. R. A. Glasgow, (Cherry Fork, Ohio), Foreign	186.00	
Mrs. R. A. Glasgow, (Cherry Fork, Ohio), Home	186.00	
Margaret J. Cooper, (Beaver, Pa.)	450.00	
Sarah Mabel Patton, (Seaman, Ohio.), Children's Ward, George Memorial Hospital, Abyssinia	1000.00	
Mary L. Miller, (Newton, Iowa.)	366.60	
Margaret M. Davidson, (Greensburg, Pa.) $1000.—Abyssinia	10405.62	
Mrs. Margaret M. Dysart, (St. Clairsville, Ohio)	141.50	
Elizabeth C. Wilson, (Washington, Pa.) Home Missions	92.89	
Mrs. Martha Leitch, (Pittsburgh, Pa.), George Memorial Hospital, Abyssinia	100.00	
Margaret Simpson, (Washington, Iowa)	9500.00	
By Interest on Mary D. Taylor Legacy	1779.00	
Sue G. Crabbe (Sale of 10 shares of Beaver Board)	500.00	25457.61
		$27834.82
Disbursements		
To Foreign General, designated	$ 2786.00	
To Home Missions, designated	278.89	
To Foreign General, undesignated	5545.47	
To Home Missions, undesignated	2772.74	
To Freedmen's Missions, undesignated	2772.72	
To Tax on Mrs. Anderson's Legacy	100.00	
To Investment, Mary D. Taylor Legacy	2300.00	
To Investment, Margaret Simpson Legacy	9500.00	$26055.82
Credit Balance, April 16, 1928		$ 1779.00

Contributions to this department are less in amount than the previous year. They were received from twelve different persons, but the sums bequeathed were not quite so much. All were very, very acceptable and were put at once to the use or the purpose which the legatee had designated in her last will and testament.

The report shows what the designations were, and bequests not marked by designations were left in the various wills to the discretion of the Board.

We cannot tell our departed friends how grateful we are for their remembrance of this work of the Lord, but perhaps they know. Our knowledge of the doings of the inhabitants of the better country is rather limited, but

we do know that they have the full enjoyment of the presence of God through all eternity and are occupying the mansion that was prepared for them before the foundation of the world. If they could speak, they would tell you that no member of our Board had ever asked them to make a will in our favor. The Lord, Himself, put it into their hearts.

One would suppose that this department would not entail a great amount of labor. It is, however, the duty of the Secretary of this department to watch the church papers and the newspapers, and wherever she sees the notice of the probate of a will which contained a notice of a bequest to the Women's General Missionary Society, it is her duty and her pleasure to write and ask for a copy of the will. This is absolutely necessary, because they generally tell the disposition that is to be made of the bequest and the Board is exceedingly desirous that the will of the testator shall be carried out to the most minute particular. This necessitates the keeping of a file, and when a bequest is received, the will is marked, "bequest paid." The Board then instructs the Treasurer to place the money exactly as it was designated.

Like the Annuity Bonds, these unexpected and unlooked for bequests give us great encouragement. They make possible the granting of requests which we had refused for lack of funds, and which the Missions prove to us are very desirous and almost absolutely necessary. Nevertheless the Board dare not authorize the undertaking of the project unless it knows where the money is coming from.

Many bequests only allow us to use the income for certain purposes. In all such cases the money is invested in first mortgages on new real estate in Pittsburgh and vicinity at 6% per annum. The properties are visited by the investment committee in person. They are carefully watched to see that taxes and insurance are paid and proper repairs kept up. In order that the wear and tear on the property may not decrease its value, an amortization clause is inserted in every mortgage so that at the end of the three years the mortgage proper has been reduced sufficient to cover all the wear and tear on the property.

It should be borne in mind also that these bequests are depreciated ten per cent, the laws of the State of Pennsylvania demanding that ten per cent of all bequests be paid as inheritance taxes.

There is another way in which our friends may provide for the continuance of the Lord's work after they have gone from this world and that is by the taking out of life insurance policies. We have heard of several of our friends who have recently taken out life insurance policies, making the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church the beneficiary.

There are many who could not afford to give us at one time five thousand dollars, or any other large sum, but could pay the premium on an insurance policy. Then, upon the death of the insured, the money would come direct to the society, without any reduction whatever, for court charges, inheritance taxes, lawyer's fees, etc.

We hold the names of these departed friends in precious memory. They have passed out of sight into the better country, but the work of the Master whom they loved, and served so well will still go on, made possible by their gifts. Who can tell how many saved souls they will meet on the other side because of the uses to which these bequests have been put?

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. H. C. Campbell.

REPORT OF

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

FOR YEAR ENDING, APRIL 15, 1928

MRS. H. C. CAMPBELL
Foreign Secretary

WITH hearts full of gratitude to our heavenly Father for having permitted us to continue in His service for another year, we attempt a resume of the work of the Foreign Department of the Women's General Missionary Society for the year ending April 15, 1928.

During the above mentioned period we have had one marriage. Miss Viola May Nourse was married on November first, in Pasrur, to Rev. Walter H. Clifford of Ceylon. Miss Nourse did a splendid work, especially in the White Memorial Hospital, Pasrur. Our best wishes accompany her to her new home.

Three of our number resigned, the Misses Ruth Warnock, of India, and Frances Herron, of the Sudan, being detained in American for family reasons. Miss Edith A. Pratt, of India, had not been very well since her arrival on the field, and because of difficulty with the language, ill health and other reasons, considered it her duty to resign. This resignation was accepted with regret. We regret the omission of these three names from our roll, but we are persuaded it was clearly the Master's will.

We received quite a number of applications, but only two seemed to measure up to our requirements. As they were both willing to go where the need seemed to be greatest, we sent them to the Girls' Boarding School, Khartum North, where there was great need, especially for normal training. Miss Billington went first, sailing September seventh, and arriving at Khartum North, November tenth. The time spent in Egypt, waiting for someone to accompany her to the Sudan, was profitably spent in studying language in the American University in Cairo. She will still continue to take the language study for the first year of her sojourn. On March eleventh Miss Esther Ganter arrived. She is not to take language study at the present time, but to commence at once to teach in English and to give normal training. This departure from our usual custom is made necessary on account of Miss Grove's furlough, and we had to have someone to take her class at once. Miss Ganter will probably not take up special study of language until Miss Grove's return.

The missionaries returning to the fields during the year were as follows:—to India, the Misses Helen Artman, Kathryn Beattie, Vida Graham, Florence Jones, Frances Lincoln, Mary Martin, Lillian McConnell, Eleanor Maconachie, Georgia Wengert, Dora Whitely and Gertrude Zink; to Egypt, the Misses Ella Barnes, Anna Criswell, Isabel Hosack, Marion Paden and Edna Sher-

riff, and to the Sudan, the Misses Frances Turk and Madeline Wilson, or a total of eighteen.

One can hardly imagine the welcome which these eighteen, returning to the depleted ranks of the various fields, received. In answer to prayer, all had safe and happy journeys.

During the year 1928 we expect to send the following named ladies to their former fields:—to India, the Misses Jean Black, Minnie Beatty, Margaret Fehlman, Zarra Hoon, Willa Ramsey, Vivian Trimble, Janet Howland, Olive Laing, Rose McCullough and Carrie Worman; to Egypt, the Misses Davida Finney, Martha Glass, Margaret Smith, Lucy Lightowler, Helen Martin, Helen Noordewier and Laura Wright; to the Sudan, Miss Mary Jane McKnight, and to Abyssinia, the Misses Isabel Blair and Florence White, or a total of twenty, all of whom are greatly needed and will be eagerly welcomed.

Not returning after furlough, Miss Hazel Ewing, of Abyssinia.

We report with great joy and gratitude the fact that the Lord has called none of our members to be with Himself during the year just closed, and, at present writing, all our missionaries seem to be in a good state of health.

Last year we reported only one new missionary elected. This year we are happy to report seven new missionaries. Miss Esther M. Ganter is already in the field, as before stated, because the need was so great she started alone, immediately after her election, and was carefully cared for and guided all the way, reaching her destination in safety. The others are; to India, the Misses Frances E. Brown, Helen Weede, Rose Shereda, and Sara Jane Lamont; to Egypt, Miss Elizabeth Kelsey, and to Abyssinia, Miss Alice Bickerstaff. We are planning to send these seven early in September. We ask your prayers to accompany these new recruits for the Lord's army, that their feet may be led into the path of life's service according to the Lord's plan, and that they may be taken in safety to the desired haven.

During the year we have had the honor and responsibility of caring for seventy-one missionaries in India, fifty-four in Egypt, twelve in the Sudan and seven in Abyssinia, making a total of one hundred and forty-four. This includes those on the field and those at home on furlough. This number will be increased, of course, by the number of new ones we send out. There may be others elected between this date, May tenth, and the sailing in September. If none are added, however, to the roll, it will make a total number of one hundred and forty-seven in our four fields.

For weeks we have had an advertisement in the "United Presbyterian" and the "Christian Union Herald" for consecrated missionary nurses. We had six responses, sent out application blanks in reply, not one of which has been returned. We are still praying, and hope all who read this will unite with us, that the Lord will thrust out nurses, especially for our work in Addis Ababa. In July, 1928, Miss Ruth Beatty will be left entirely alone in the George Memorial Hospital. It is a physical impossibility for one nurse to take care of the patients alone. We should have at least three for that work, and four would be much better.

Next to graduate nurses, we need normal teachers, domestic science teachers and kindergartners. The Girls' Boarding School, Khartum North, is the most needy field at present along this line of specially trained workers.

The salary of one of the new missionaries has been pledged by her congregation, for which we are devoutly thankful. We hope that many of the readers of the Magazine will volunteer to take up a missionary's salary in whole or in part.

The number of missionaries' salaries that are pledged in whole or in part is one hundred and ten. We are thankful that the Lord has put it into the hearts of so many to undertake this financial responsibility, and hope that the number will be largely augmented during the year. All the others unpledged must be provided for from New World Movement Funds or from the Foreign General Department. How happy we would be if we could report that all salaries were pledged, because we have a wonderful people who pay every pledge they make.

We report, most thankfully, that the Lord has answered another prayer. During the year we prayed that the receipts for salaries might be increased, and we are happy to report that the increase in the amount received from Presbyterials for salaries was $4,736.65.

Another increase for which we are thankful is receipts for salaries from individuals, congregations and Sabbath Schools. The increase in this department equals $3,049.27, over the previous year.

Another increase for which we are profoundly grateful is in the amount paid by the Young Women's Societies, of $216.00.

As was to be expected, amounts received from New World Movement, designated and undesignated, are less than the previous year, and yet the total receipts are only $4,978.00 less, so that on the whole we are very glad and very thankful for the increases shown in regular contributions from Presbyterials, individuals, Sabbath Schools and Young Women's Societies.

Here follows the Treasurer's report for Foreign salaries:

Foreign salaries receipts by:

Presbyterials	$ 65042.15
Individuals, Congregations and Sabbath Schools	16718.60
Thank-Offering designated	203.00
Refund	134.00
Young Women's Special	1600.00
New World Movement designated	5804.75
Investment Income	3226.25
Foreign New World Movement	20711.32
	$118440.07

The total receipts, including balance this year, were $158,161.39. The salaries, outfit money, travel, language teacher, etc., were $114,196.24, leaving a balance wherewith to begin the new year, April 16, 1928, of $43,-965.15. We are very much encouraged with this showing, and ask you to remember that this seemingly large balance will all be depleted before the first of September, because the salaries for May, June, July and August must be met, as usual, and contributions from missionary societies are usually very meager during these months.

The next important account of the Foreign Department is called "Foreign Missions General". Money received under this heading pays for everything in foreign work not otherwise designated. Here, too, we have cause for gratitude. The receipts from Presbyterials for "Foreign Missions General" increased $834.00. "Small amount," you say. Yes, but it is in on the right side of the ledger and shows an increase.

The next item, from individuals, Sabbath Schools and Y. P. C. U., shows an increase of $774.00. You know we never ask individuals, or Sabbath Schools, or members of the Y. P. C. U., to contribute, but when they come voluntarily, we are allowed to accept it, and we thank them and thank the Lord for the increase they gave.

The Thank-Offering last year was the best we ever had, so that the increase is noted there.

The Junior Special, also, shows a slight increase. The Young Women's Special, also, shows an increase of two thousand dollars, plus.

The refunds in these receipts for "Foreign General", of course, will vary, but they add nothing at all to the total amount of money. In the one case you will note it was insurance on equipment that was sent to Egypt, and the other refund was on travel accounts of various kinds.

The total receipts of this ledger account this year are a little less than last, but that is explained by the amount of balance on hand. On the whole we are very thankful, for every item in regular contributions shows an increase, although it may be small.

Here follows the itemized statement of receipts and disbursements for the Foregin Missions General Account:

Foreign Missions General receipts by:

Presbyterials	$ 26076.80
Bible Classes, Individuals, etc.	6386.62
Refunds of Insurance (Chairs G. B. S., Tanta)	1400.00
Interest	168.37
Refunds	2185.10
1926 Thank-Offering	96295.00
Lapsed Annuities	1050.00
Legacies	8331.47
Investment Income	4606.35
Junior Special	4440.00
Young Women's Special	4359.25
Mary Clokey Porter Endowment	3606.00
Interest on Senior Life Membership Fund	4000.00
Miss E. Stauffer	80.00
Total	$162984.96

Foreign Missions General disbursements to:

Estimates granted to four foreign fields	$129748.00
Travel, freight and insurance of missionaries	11005.89
Chairs for G. B. S., Tanta, Freight, etc.	2248.87
Study Allowance	980.00
Land in Abyssinia	650.00
Outfit allowances	300.00
Convention Expenses	601.68
Budget of Foreign Missions Conference	500.00
Budget of Federation of Women's Boards	50.00
Deputational Expense	450.00
Pins for Missionaries	80.00
Registering Cable Address	2.50
Foreign Special	7730.91
Total	$154347.85

If you are making comparisons between the disbursements of last year and this year, you will notice that last year was a great deal more than this year. Please remember that there are some items in last year's report that we have not yet been able to put in this report. For example, the loss by exchange,—we don't know what it is yet. Last year it was over six thousand dollars. On the whole, notwithstanding apparent increases and decreases, the statement of the Foreign Department is encouraging in every line, because receipts from regular sources are more than the previous year. We end the year in the Foreign Department with a cash balance, small, of course, in both ledger accounts. The salary account has a cash balance of $43,965.15, and the Foreign Missions General Account a cash balance of $14,590.34.

In lapsed annuities and in bequests there is always a discrepancy. We call no attention to the fact, because in considering estimates for the ensuing year we never consider any income that may probably come in from lapsed annuities and legacies. They both deal with the termination of human life, of which we can have no fore-knowledge. We are grateful when they do come, and they always came in the past in time to meet special emergencies and to make grants that would otherwise have had to be refused.

As already mentioned, receipts from the New World Movement Fund are much less this year and will continue to decrease as the years go by. In receipts by distribution of new World Movement Funds our readers should remember that our Treasurer gets the New World Movement money

in bulk and then according to the survey that was adopted by the Central Committee of the New World Movement, it is distributed among the different departments, Home, Foreign, Freedmen, Indian, etc., so that the item that reads, "Distribution of New World Movement", means that the Foreign Department has received during the year a certain amount of money. This year it was smaller than usual, being $11,260.47. Then the share of the invested income from New World Movement Funds is also less than usual, as is to be expected.

Here follows the statement from the Treasurer of receipts and disbursements:

FOREIGN NEW WORLD MOVEMENT

Receipts by New World Movement Distribution	$11260.47
Receipts by Investment Income	19096.80
Total	$30357.27

DISBURSEMENTS

To purchase site for Memorial Hospital, Sialkot, India	$25000.00
To Convention Expenses	247.00
To Egypt for Sanitarium Expense	3000.00
To transfer to salaries according to survey	20711.32
Total	$48958.32

You will notice in disbursements to Egypt for sanitarium expenses, $3,000.00. At the request of the Egyptian Mission, fifty thousand dollars of New World Movement money that belonged to Egypt's survey had been set aside and invested as a "special". The income of this, or three thousand dollars, is to be sent over to Egypt annually for sanitarium expenses. That is to say that all our young women missionaries are to have the midsummer of their term out of the country, and the Mission will arrange that each of the missionaries get it in turn, and this three thousand dollars will be annually divided between the number who are entitled to leave the country that summer. We agreed to do this for five years, on condition that the work in Egypt did not demand any part of this fifty thousand dollar fund. We are expecting to hear glowing reports, and think it is a much better idea than investing fifty thousand dollars in a summer residence anywhere, because it will give our young ladies an opportunity to see, from time to time, different parts of this beautiful world and to meet strangers of all kinds in different places, rather than going year after year to the same place and spending their vacation with the same people.

The disbursements this year are less than the previous years, because there were no buildings erected, the only permanent investment being twenty-five thousand dollars for land in Sialkot, India.

Here follows a complete report of disbursements of the Foreign Department of the Women's Board from the beginning of the New World Movement to date:

EGYPT

To purchase property for center for women's work in Mansoura	$17000.00
To erect a second story on Tanta Hospital residence	11250.00
For inprovements in Girls' Boarding School, Luxor	5750.00
For purchase of land for center for women's work, Fayoum	5000.00

To purchase land in Benha	6000.00	
To erection of Girls' School, Fayoum	43380.00	
To erect house for missionaries at Tanta	28000.00	
To erection of Girls' Boarding School, Tanta	45000.00	
To purchase land for Community Center, Tanta	7500.00	
To purchase land for Community Center, Beni Suef	10000.00	$178880.00

INDIA

To purchase Mary B. Reid Memorial Hospital	$ 5000.00	
To erection of Ladies' Bungalow, Zafarwal	4913.13	
On account of erection of Girls' Boarding School, Sargodha	9885.00	
To erect Ladies' Bungalow, Sargodha	6533.00	
To purchase of land and erection of bungalow at Campbellpur	6726.00	
To purchase of land and erection of bungalow at Pathankot	7012.00	
To cost of land and erection of Ladies' House at Pasrur, South	7600.00	
To cost of land and erection of Ladies' House at Sheikhupura	8600.00	
To purchase site for bungalow, Gujar Khan	3200.00	
To purchase site for bungalow, Chakwal	7267.00	
To purchase site for bungalow, Chariwal	334.00	
To purchase site for Hospital, Sialkot	25000.00	$ 92070.13

SUDAN

To purchase additional land for Girls' Boarding School, Khartum North	$ 4000.00	
To building of addition to Girls' Boarding School, Khartum North	20000.00	$ 24000.00
Total		$294950.13

The foregoing is for land and buildings only. The sums paid for salaries at date amount to $331,469.24.

We desire to call your attention to some items that are much needed in our hospitals. In Tanta, Egypt, we have the Martha McKeown Hospital. You will all remember, as you look at the picture, that there is one part of it that lacks a story of being complete. We could not complete it for lack of money, and the money has not yet come, although the additional rooms are very, very badly needed. Another item that that hospital needs is adequate sewerage arrangements. The city, at the time the land was bought and the building erected, had not completed sewerage arrangements. The lot is a very long one and when the sewering was commenced, it took about five hundred yards of sewer pipe. The proper connections and the improvement on the sewerage system has been completed this last year at a cost of $1,615.47. This, of course we will have to forward to the hospital as an extra, because it could never be taken out of the regular annual estimates. It is very necessary for sanitary purposes and we are very glad, indeed, that the work has been accomplished, and we are sure that the Lord will send us the money for what the city authorities said, and what the doctors in charge agreed, must be done.

Tanta Hospital also needs a complete plant for disinfection of bedding and clothing. Almost all the clothing of the poorer patients needs this. Anyone with any hospital experience at all will recognize the absolute necessity. It also needs a new plant of some kind in which an abundance of hot water can always be had. They know nothing about hot water heaters, as we have them in America, and yet hot baths are a very distinct necessity in hospitals the world over. As soon as we get the money these two very much desired things, the hot water system and the disinfecting plant, will easily be taken care of in one place and by one system.

Another absolute necessity is the X-ray Machine. The city current with which they connect is not operated sufficiently in the day time, and it is not likely that there will be any change for many years to come. We are therefore compelled to purchase and put in a plant which will run electric machines and not only supply the current for the X-ray, but also for the lights for the whole hospital. They are buying electric current now from the city at a cost of $1,200.00 a year. The investment, of course, will be thousands of dollars, but the $1,-200.00 we pay will soon make up for the unusual outlay.

In short the needs of Tanta Hospital can all be summed up as follows: an additional story on one of the wings to complete the building, a dormitory for nurses that will release the space in the hospital for patients that is now occupied by the nurses, the payment of a sewerage system and a new plant, dynamo and everything necessary for disinfection, the supplying of hot water, the management of an X-ray machine, and furnishing of electric lights. At this writing we are unable to give the probable cost of all these things that are needed. It will not be less, however, than forty or fifty thousand dollars.

We hope the "Lord's remembrancers" will unite with us in asking Him to send the necessary funds.

The George Memorial Hospital, as you will see later in the reports, had a very good year. It also is far from being complete. It needs an X-ray department, electric light plant, disinfecting plant and a hot water system. Its needs are almost parallel with the Tanta Hospital, except that the building is finished, but it needs the above mentioned things for equipment.

We are not worrying. We know the Master whom we serve is able and in His time will send the necessary funds.

We are glad to report that the Foreign Board has lately sent out Dr. Bergsma to cooperate with Dr. Pollock in the management of the George Memorial Hospital.

Here follows the responsibilities of the Women's General Missionary Society in our four fields.

INDIA

*Support of:

1. Seventy-one missionaries.
2. Fifty-five Bible women.

†Maintenance of:

3. Memorial Hospital, Sialkot.
4. White Memorial Hospital, Pasrur.
5. Good Samaritan Hospital, Jhelum.
6. Mary B. Reid Memorial Hospital, Sargodha.
7. Dispensary, Bhera.
8. Dispensary, Jhelum.
9. Dispensary, Kala.
10. Dispensary, Pasrur.
11. Dispensary, Pathankot.
12. Dispensary, Sargodha.
13. Dispensary, Sialkot.
14. Ladies' Bungalow, Attock.
15. Ladies' Bungalow, Campbellpur.
16. Ladies' Bungalow, Jhelum.
17. Ladies' Bungalow, Pasrur, South.
18. Ladies' Bungalow, Pathankot.
19. Ladies' Bungalow, Sargodha.
20. Ladies' Bungalow, Shiekhupura.
21. Ladies Bungalow, Sialkot, "Elizabeth Gordon Home."

22. Ladies' Bungalow, Rawalpindi.
23. Ladies' Bungalow, Zafarwal.
24. Girls' Boarding School, Sialkot.
25. Girls' Boarding School, Sargodha.
26. Girls' Boarding School, Sangla Hill.
27. Girls' Boarding School, Pasrur.
28. Girls' Day School, Sialkot District, 6.
29. Girls' Day School, Gujranwala District, 7.
30. Girls' Day School, Rawalpindi District, 2.
31. Girls' Day School, Kangah Dogran District, 2.
32. Girls' Day School, Sargodha District, 23.
33. Girls' Day School, Dhariwal.
34. Girls' Day School, Gurdaspur.
35. Girls' Day School, Gujar Khan.
36. Girls' Day School, Pathankot.
37. Girls' Day School, Zafarwal.
38. Girls' Day School, Jhelum.
39. Girls' Day School, Martinpur.

The estimates granted for India for the ensuing year amount to $101,713.-68.

EGYPT

*Support of:

1. Fifty-six missionaries.
2. Sixty-five Bible women.

†Maintenance of:

3. Martha McKeown Hospital, Tanta.
4. Tanta Hospital Residences.
5. Girls' Boarding and Day School, Luxor.
6. Mary Clokey Porter Girls' Boarding School, Tanta.
7. Girls' Day School, Alexandria.
8. Girls' Day School, Karmus.
9. Girls' Day School, Beni Suef.
10. Girls' Day School, Kafr-el-Ahsari.
11. Girls' Day School, Fayoum.
12. Girls' Day School, Monsourah.
13. Girls' Day School, Zagazig.
14. Dispensary and Clinic, Benha.
15. Dispensary and Clinic, Tanta.
16. Mary Herron Rest Home, Ramleh.
17. Community Center, Tanta.
18. Community Center, Cairo.
19. Community Center, Benha.
20. Community Center, Monsourah.
21. Community Center, Fayoum.

The estimates granted for Egypt for the ensuing year amount to $86,-004.50.

SUDAN

*Support of:

1. Twelve missionaries.
2. Two Bible women.

†Maintenance of:

3. Bible Women's House, Khartum North.
4. Girls' Boarding and Day School, Khartum North.
5. "William Little" Girls' Day School, Wadi Halfa.
6. Support of three trained nurses.

The estimates granted for the Sudan for the year amount to $24,977.-00.

ABYSSINIA

*Support of:

1. Eight missionaries.

†Maintenance of:

2. George Memorial Hospital, Addis Ababa.
3. Two Missionaries' residences, Addis Ababa.

The estimates granted to Abyssinia for the ensuing year amount to $13,-479.00.

The foregoing estimates do not include outfit money, travelling expenses or salaries for new missionaries who go out in 1928.

The new Manual adopted by both Boards has been printed and is now in use. We agreed with the Foreign Board that the first term is to be six

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*—Support of missionaries includes salaries, language teachers, travel, sanitarium, itinerating and station expenses. Full support, according to our Board of Foreign Missions, means double the salary. That is, if a salary is eight hundred dollars, full support is sixteen hundred dollars a year. Sending out new missionaries is an additional expense and includes outfit money and travelling expenses to the field.

†—Maintenance of institutions includes taxes, repairs, furniture, instruments, garden tools, seeds, food, clothing, books, medicine and itinerating; salaries of superintendents, nurses, teachers, doctors, Bible women, matrons and servants.

winters in Egypt and India, and all succeeding terms for women missionaries should be seven winters, as that is a long enough time in an oriental climate.

The length of term of service in the Sudan and Abyssinia is still four and one-half years.

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Here follow the names of all who have paid their pledges in such fashion that there were no deficits in their accounts when the treasurer closed her books, April 15, 1928.

Year ending April 15, 1928

	Number of Salaries pledged.
Allegheny Presbyterial	1
Avalon Sabbath School	1
Avalon Congregation	1
Bellevue Organizations	1
Eleventh Congregation Organizations	1
First Congregation and Sabbath School	8
Friends	1
Fourth Congregation	1
Second Congregation Organizations	2
Albany and Puget Sound Presbyterials and Lucile Harmon	1
Arkansas Valley Presbyterial	2
Argyle Presbyterial	1
Beaver Valley Presbyterial	2
Second, New Castle, Congregation	2
Big Spring Presbyterial	1
Boston Presbyterial	1
Butler Presbyterial	1
Caledonia Presbyterial	1
Rochester, N. Y., Congregation and Bible School	1
Chartiers Presbyterial	2
Chartiers and Greenside Avenue Congregations	1
Second, Washington, Congregation	1
Chicago Presbyterial	1
Cleveland Presbyterial	1
Dr. and Mrs. W. P. Wiegering	1
Colorado Presbyterial	1
College Springs Presbyterial	2
Conemaugh Presbyterial	1
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Miller	1
Cedar Rapids Presbyterial	2
Delaware Presbyterial	1
Walton, N. Y., Congregation and Sabbath School	1
Des Moines Presbyterial	1
Frankfort and Wisconsin Presbyterials	part
Hudson Presbyterial	1
Indiana Presbyterial	1
Kansas City Presbyterial, Princeton, Indiana, W. M. S., Wilkinsburg Organizations and Y. W. M. S., Second Pittsburgh	1
Pittsburg, Kansas	1
Idaho, Oklahoma, Texas, Uncompahgre Presbyterials and Try Circle Class, Kansas City, Mo.	part
Keokuk Presbyterial	1
First Washington, Iowa, Congregation	1
Kiskiminetas Presbyterial	part
Lake Presbyterial	1
Cochranton and Utica Congregations	1
Los Angeles Presbyterial	1
First Los Angeles Congregation	1
Mansfield and Northern Indiana Presbyterials	part
Mercer Presbyterial	1
New Wilmington Congregation	1
Monmouth Presbyterial	2
Woods Sisters	1
Monongahela Presbyterial	2
Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Ewing and Ladies' Bible Class of Donora, Pa.	1
Mrs. J. D. Sands	1
Carnegie Congregation	1
Coraopolis Congregation	1
West End Presbyterian Church	1
Homewood Congregation	1
Oakmont and Oakdale Congregations	part
Mt. Lebanon Congregation	1
Shadyside Organizations	2
First, Wilkinsburg, Congregation	1
Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Taylor	1
Second, Wilkinsburg, Congregation	1
Sixth Congregations and Organizations	4
Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. Archie and Johnston Family	part
Muskingum Presbyterial	2
Ohio First, Presbyterial	2
Ohio Northwestern Presbyterial	1
First, Toledo, W. M. S. and Sabbath School	part

Omaha Presbyterial	
North Bend Congregation	1
Oregon Presbyterial	1
Pawnee and Philadelphia Presbyterials	1
Philadephia Presbyterial	1
Fifth Church, Philadelphia	1
Norris Square Sabbath School	1
Rock Island Presbyterial	1
San Francisco Presbyterial	1
Southern Illinois Presbyterial	1
Marissa Congregation	1
Sparta Congregation	1
Spokane Presbyterial	part
Steubenville Presbyterial	1
Westmoreland Presbyterial	2
Mrs. E. C. Ramsey	1
First, McKeesport, Congregation	1
Greensburg Congregation	1
Wheeling Presbyterial	1
Xenia Presbyterial	2
Young Women's Special	2

Some of our interested supporters are asking why we do not print the annual reports from all of the institutions in which our beloved missionaries labor, Our reply is that we do not print any reports of work in institutions for which the Board of Foreign Missions is responsible. We do not think it would be fair to that Board.

As you know, the rule is that the Women's Board supports all unmarried missionary ladies, sends them to the different fields, and the Missions locate them. When the Missions locate one of our missionaries to labor in a Foreign Board institution, we are very glad and are quite willing to support her there, but the credit of the work belongs to the Board that supports the institution, therefore we do not publish reports from the Fowler Orphanage, the Cairo Girls' College, the Ezebekiah School and the Pressly Memorial Institute in Egypt, nor the Pathankot High School in India. In the Sudan we do not print reports of the hospital work in Nasser where we have two nurses, for the reason stated. Another reason is that the Foreign Board reports all these institutions, very properly, and there is no reason why they should be reported twice.

Here follow the edited reports from all our fields. They will speak for themselves:

THE YEAR IN EGYPT

EVANGELISTIC WORK FOR WOMEN
ALEXANDRIA

THE four Bible Women working in Alexandria and District have reported an average of 420 women taught every month. Most of these women receive weekly Bible lessons in their homes; though a few of them receive their lessons bi-weekly. During the past year a number of the pupils to whom the Bible women have gone for several years have been dropped so that new pupils could be taken on; whenever possible an attempt has been made to secure the attendance at some meeting of each woman dropped from the regular visiting list. New women's meetings started during the last past year are: In Aboukir, every other Friday at 10 a. m. in the home of a church member; in Hadara every Wednesday afternoon—begun in the home of a Coptic friend, and recently removed to the school room provided by the generosity of Central; in the Church, Alexandria for the beginning of a little Christian School in Hadara; in Mex, every Tuesday at 9:30 a. m.; in the home of some friends.

The Lebban Meeting which I reported last year as beginning with an attendance of twelve or thirteen women has increased its average attendance to about eighteen and several

ETHEL WEED
Alexandria, Egypt

of its members have joined the Missionary society in Central Church.

House visiting work was started at Kafr-el-Dewar (an hour out on the train) last spring. The opposition to our work there has been good advertising for it, and in a few months the attitude of our hearers has changed from suspicion to eagerness, and Sitt Afeefa is struggling with the problem of how to accommodate in two forenoons all the women who wish to become her pupils.

Another place where a start has been made during the past year is at Siouf, near our Sidi Bishr Camp. The people to whom we go there are all Moslems, and are very suspicious of us.

The Bible woman has had to go only as a friendly caller and as a teacher of Arabic. Pray for these people that the way may be opened for them to come to the Master.

Miss Victoria and I run over occasionally to Damanhour for a few days' house-visiting in the capital city of Beheira Province. We have to leave our regular work in the city when we do this. How we do wish we could have a full-time Bible woman with comfortable living quarters for her in Damanhour.

Yes, the work of the United Presbyterian women in American for their needy and ignorant sisters in Alexandria and Beheria Province is going forward. We need your prayers and whatever help and encouragement you are able to give us as a result of your prayers.

Ethel Weed.

REPORT OF YEARS' WORK FOR WOMEN IN BENHA DISTRICT

JEANETTE McCRORY
Benha, Egypt

The Bible women have been carrying on work among the women in eight villages regularly and three more intermittently. In four of these places we have had regular weekly prayer meetings for the women and now we have regular missionary societies connected with those prayer meetings.

During this past year the Bible women have had the joy of seeing three of the women whom they have taught come out publicly and profess their faith in Christ and have their names added to the church roll. Now, for this coming year the Bible women are stressing the idea of Stewardship among the women and have as their goal "Every woman a tither by the end of this year". One of the first fruits of this campaign was gained a few days after it had been launched. One of the Bible women came and asked just what it meant to tithe and after explaining just what it was and

how the tithe should be spent she replied, "Well, I see that I have not been a tither myself. I want to start anew now.' '

The women of Cheblanga are requesting us to meet with them at least once a week and teach them and so we have promised to begin work there this coming Monday.

STREET SABBATH SCHOOLS

Three Bible women and a missionary are carrying on Street Sabbath School Classes in six different centers each week and they reach an average of 225 children every week with the Bible Story and the Picture card.

We call these *Sabbath School* Classes but the truth of the matter is that one is held on Tuesday and two are held on Wednesday. As the workers are few we find it impossible to carry them all on on Sabbath, but the teaching is the same in each one. We have the Bible Memory work, Bible stories and memorizing songs and then we are trying to teach the children to pray . The children do not realize that they are learning to pray for their idea of the word "Prayer" is simply a cold formula—merely repeating words without meaning. So we call it talking to God. Last Sabbath I changed the program a little and did not have the prayer as soon as usual and one of the girls said, "We haven't talked to God yet and thanked Him for our Mothers".

Jeannette McCrory.

WORK AMONG WOMEN IN ZAGAZIG DISTRICT

Since coming back to Zagazig town and district, I think I see more open doors than ever. There are five Bible women in this district, two in the town, and three in other towns nearby. A weekly meeting for women only is held in five of these towns. Fifteen or more towns are visited by carriage from Zagazig as a center. In many of these we know no one, but the Lord opened up homes to the reading of the Word. The men and boys are very eager to have literature to read.

MARION PADEN
Zagazig, Egypt

The monthly missionary meeting conducted by the women members of the church is a means of getting many Coptic and Moslem women into the church building. Each month brings many of these to hear something of the Gospel.

The Bible women visit regularly in certain homes and in others only occasionally. Mournings give opportunity to get in touch with many different women. Some of these visited seem to be growing in grace, and dropping superstitious customs.

Marion Paden.

WORK AMONG WOMEN IN MANSURAH DISTRICT

Several series of meetings for women were planned in connection with the men's general meetings, and due to rainy weather and illness, several were postponed until spring. However, in Damietta, a seaport town, and almost as large as Mansurah, several consecutive meetings were held and well received. There are but very few Christians of any sect and the town seems to be a dumping ground for many of the bad Moslems. The women want us to come regularly.

The general meetings for men were not so well received, and the third evening, the mobs of fanatical, ignorant Moslems broke up the meeting,

LILLIAN McCLELLAND
Monsurah, Egypt

each grabbed a chair and threw it at someone. As the women of this town do not allow the men to see them in such a meeting, they were quietly concealed behind curtains in another room, and we were very glad that the men did not know they were present. The writer happened to be in the midst of this crowd, since she was unable to get out after playing the opening Psalms. There were a few better class Moslems present and they much regretted the rashness of their brethren, which was without doubt instigated by the teachers of the Koran. About 20 remained asking to hear the sermon, and about that time, it was seen that stones were being gathered to damage our car which the mob had just spied. We went out of the back door, and the engine of the car was started before they realized we were there, they not being aware of another door. They stoned us out of town, and tore the car in the back, but no one was hurt. Since the Christians were reasonably sure that the Mayor and the Governor knew what was going to happen, the latter two, were more than uneasy for some weeks after and made every effort to bring justice and safety to our workers there. Our building is in the midst of a hotbed of Islam. How that whole town needs the ministry of a Bible woman! The Mission has a good evangelist but he would not dare to visit a home.

The community House work is growing, and has a better attendance than last year. We have a nice big class of beginners in reading. Some of the girls have married, some are engaged, and some are being kept at home hoping to engage them, or some big brother thinks the sister is too big to go out much. The young womanhood of Egypt is changing rapidly and she now refuses to be married to the first prospect. For example, one Sabbath afternoon I was aroused from my rest by company. One of my Moslem girls from last year had come with a friend secretly. They said they had left the husband to be, who was very jealous, sitting in the front room. She was afraid they would get her married suddenly and she would lose track of me. She is very grateful for the few reading lessons she has had, and says each day she goes up on the roof and reads as much as she is able of the book of Bible stories given her some time ago.

The women's work in such places as Mitghamer is thriving. In Mitghamer there has been much opposition from the Coptic priest, who has threatened the women with dire woes in this world and the one to come, not only on them but on their children, if they attend our meetings. This has frightened some for the time being, but nothing scares the men, and when the women see that these woes are not taking place, they will return, for God will not let such hindrances to His work overrule. A common expression of the people here is "God is present" and we are glad to rejoice with you all that He is present and is blessing his work in this district.

L. L. McClelland.

WORK AMONG WOMEN IN TANTA DISTRICT

MINNEHAHA FINNEY
Tanta, Egypt

Women's Work

Work for women in Tanta and district, centers up in what is known as the Tanta Community House. Here reside the two evangelistic women missionaries of the Women's Board, Misses Finney and Dwight. Miss Finney has charge of the evangelistic work in the town and district and for the present the Community Center. Miss Dwight had charge of the Bible Women's Training School.

The Community Center

The Community Center is a department of work which has been undergoing adjustment during the past three years and we feel that we have arrived at the type of work which our Community Center is to do.

There are many young women in a town the size of Tanta who have been deprived during their childhood of the advantages of education but who in this day of awakening are anxious to learn to read and write. It would be impossible for them to go to a girls' school and go into classes with small children so we are meeting a real need and grasping a fine evangelistic opportunity by arranging for classes for young women in our Community Center.

Another feature of the Community Center work is the holding of meetings for women every Thursday afternoon. Once a month the women's meeting takes a form of a missionary meeting with a regular missionary program. Also at various times during the year there is a special program for Christmas and Easter, a Thank-Offering, and a Social meeting frequently. A series of meetings was held for four days during last December and the attendance was fine.

The women attending these meetings take a great interest in the White Gift offering which is held at the Christmas season and distributed among the poor by a committee of Egyptian women.

Another feature of the Community Center is the Sabbath School on Sabbath afternoon which is conducted by the girls of the Practical Work class of the Bible Women's Training School. The children are gathered in from the homes they visit during the week in connection with their practical work.

House Visiting and District Itinerating

In Tanta we have three Bible women. One of these gives her entire time to work among Moslems and the other two have many Moslem pupils.

Hundreds of women are thus visited weekly and given a regular Bible lesson. Two meetings are held weekly for women, the one already described in connection with the Community Center and another in an outlying quarter of the city, those attending being for the most part, Moslem.

The itinerating work in the district is fascinating and one longs to be able to do it constantly. As yet we have only two Evangelistic workers for

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women in this large and populous district, one at Bissiun and one at Shebin-el-Kom.

During the past year since our evangelistic women missionary force has been increased by the arrival of Miss Dwight who has taken over a part of the work, Miss Minnehaha Finney has made several trips throughout the district on the Delta Car. During one trip last spring of forty-six days, twenty-two villages were visited and hundreds of homes entered with the Gospel message. During another trip an interesting conference for women was held in Sombat—a typical country village. Miss Finney and a group of five workers with the help of Miss McClelland conducted the conference, visiting the homes of the villagers during the day and holding the meetings for women only, during the evening.

Of all strange things to hold special meetings for women with no thought for men and boys! And when it came to the special treat the magic lantern and all those pretty bright attractive pictures portraying the life of our Lord—the small boys who had no admittance because of lack of room were heard to exclaim, "Oh, that we were girls!"

The Summer School for Bible Women

This Summer School for Bible Women is a development of the past three years. Now for the past three summers it has been held during the month of August in the quarters of the Bible Women's Training School and Tanta Community Center. We feel that this Summer School has come to stay. The Bible women themselves are eager for the opportunity to improve themselves. It is touching to see their earnestness as they sat around the long study table drinking in the Bible lessons presented to them and it was not difficult to visualize what it was going to mean to them during their year of work. To be sure some of us have had to give up a big slice out of our summer vacation to make this Summer School a possibility but we feel it is very worth while even if a vacation has to be taken some other time for the sake of health.

Minnehaha Finney.

BIBLE WOMEN'S TRAINING SCHOOL TANTA

LUCIA DWIGHT
Tanta, Egypt

This year six of our young women finished the course of studies at the end of the school year in June, and early in September were sent to their appointed places, and are now busy at work in the Master's Vineyard.

Galeela, one of the most promising members of the class, "finished her course" in April at the call of her Lord, to enter a higher Service. Letters telling of her faith, and her willingness to go, were a comfort to us in our loss. Galeela's life was a real blessing to her family, and a true testimony to her Lord, for her sister, Umm Kamel, a young widow, was led to dedicate her life to take her sister's place and entered the Training School in September.

We rejoice to give these trained Bible women to the work, but wished the class were larger, for it was not an easy problem when we had eight requests for Bible women in Egypt,

and one from the Sudan, with only six to supply the need. These six workers were sent to the following stations:

Aneesa, to Beni Suef;
Farha, to Fayoum;
Rose to the clinic in Benha;
Engelena, to visit the homes in Benha;
Rifka, to Abbassiah district, Cairo;
Zaheya, to Tanta.

Besides the training class, we have a preparatory department; for most of our pupils need much drilling in reading, writing, arithmetic, grammar, and composition. They have Bible story telling, Simple Bible studies, Catechism, Memorizing Scripture verses and passages, and some of the Metrical Psalms, Singing, Sewing and housework.

The advanced class have two years in the following studies:

Bible Synthesis, Elementary Discourse, first year.

Bible Doctrine, Homiletics, second year.

Chapter Summary, Biblical Introduction, first year.

Practical work, Christian Evidences, second year.

Islamics, Biblical Geography, first year.

Memory work, Church History, second year.

Singing, Helping in meetings, first year.

Sewing, Leading Meetings, second year.

Domestic Science, Hand work, first year.

Special Lectures, Illustration, Posters, second year.

The desire is to give a practical, all-round course to train them for a life and service of faithfulness and usefulness, true witnesses to the Lord and His Gospel.

The Practical Work class is of twofold benefit, it gives the women opportunity to practice what they learn, and their experiences and efforts are a great help in the Evangelistic work in Tanta. They assisted in the Thank-Offering program, at Benha, and in the conferences at Bassioun, Shabin El Kom, Sanbat, and Tanta, and two or three villages.

During the year we have had 26 in attendance in our two departments. Seven of these entered the advanced class in September. Our Community Center classes are another interesting feature of our work, and are at present divided in attention between the Evangelistic missionary, Miss Minnehaha Finney and the superintendent of the Bible Women's Training School. In these classes five Moslem women have attended, one Christian woman, one Moslem girl, and six Christian girls, making a total of 13.

These women and girls are ambitious to learn to read and write. Some of them have never been in school. Some of the girls are too large to go to school and begin with the bright little tots, so this is a great opportunity to help many women and big girls who have not had a chance. The Arabic primer is followed by the Gospels. Most of them attend the chapel and the women's prayer meeting. Two of the Moslem women attend the church services occasionally. Some of the Community Center pupils have expressed the desire to be Bible women.

The total number in both the Bible Women's Training School and the Community Center classes for the year up till the present time is 31. Twelve of this number are boarders. Another one is to enter training as a boarder in January, and two requests are being considered,—one for the Community Center and the other for the Bible Women's Training School.

Twelve of our girls, at different times have been in the hospital. How much we appreciate the hospital! We also let our head teacher be trans-

ferred to take up Evangelistic work in the hospital for the good of the work.

Lucia Dwight.

EVANGELISTIC WORK AMONG WOMEN IN CAIRO

GUDRUN C. ESTVAD
Cairo, Egypt

November first, we reached an important milestone, for it marked the completion of the two years' course at the school of Oriental languages.

Since that time it has been our privilege to take up the work in Haret es Sakkain, a native quarter of Cairo, and to carry on the labors of our faithful predecessors. The short experience in that place has given one glimpses of a large field of hearts as yet unoccupied by Christ. The population has largely changed. Nearly half of the children in the little school are Moslem this year, which is a decidedly larger proportion than in former years.

As one passes through the narrow street which leads to the school one gets many glimpses through dark doorways of women and children squatting on the cold, damp pavement or ground of the inner courts, gossiping, sewing, or cooking their meals. One day we were invited to come in and visit one of these women and her family. They lived in a single dark room off the inner court. There were no chairs, and the scanty furnishings were but dimly visible. The mother is a sweet faced woman with several children. She cannot read. Year in and year out she lives in that one room and in the court outside. Her life is dull, though doubtless happier than if there were no little children to feed and clothe,—but there her responsibilities seem to end. Her own ignorance prevents her from being able to do much more. With the increasing interest in education for girls in Egypt we can look forward to a day when mothers will be able to enrich their own lives and thus those of their children through the message of the printed page.

This last summer we again enjoyed spending a time at the summer Bible school for native Bible women teaching Gospel songs which it is our hope will carry the message home to many hearts. The tunes when heard again may perhaps not be just as taught, for the Egyptian has a way of doctoring up new tunes with various little twists and turns to suit his own fancy, but the message is the same, and that is the main thing. And one day all discordant notes will be done away with, and Egypt will join in the music of the spheres singing praises to the Lamb that was slain, but that lives to reign over all.

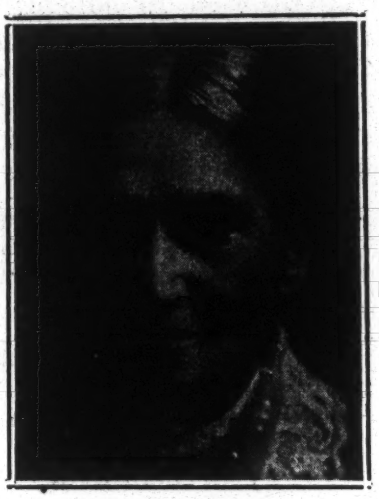
Gudrun C. Estvad.

EVANGELISTIC WORK AMONG WOMEN IN CAIRO

The past year has been a time of general growth of the work in Cairo, and the various meetings have been kept up for women either by the pastors in the various places, or by the Bible women's superintendents with their help.

In regard to profession of faith in our churches from women and girls, the majority were from the higher schools for girls, which shows the value of the education of girls; they generally have a good foundation.

Mrs. Coventry has had a class for most of the Bible women, for the study of the Bible, and this is much appreciated by them. One rather noted erratic worker, thinking we were going to do without her, went to the Copts, where she continued visiting much as formerly, "reproving, rebuking and exhorting", but she continues to attend our church.



ANNA Y. THOMPSON
Cairo, Egypt

There was a monthly average number of pupils of 3047 women, nearly five hundred more than in the previous year, but the increase was largely at the child welfare centers where nearly all are Mohammedans, so this shows the value of these places for reaching the masses. These two centers under the care of our Mission in the city, are visited by Dr. Henry who is a noted physician and evangelist. Mrs. Fairman who lives in Heliopolis has begun another center, with workers and a little school attached, the girls being nearly all from Moslem homes, and at the program given, they showed remarkable progress.

The Bible woman under her care, who worked very acceptably in Almaza, has been laid aside by serious illness since July, but is now improving. Many more districts could be opened, if we could secure more money for salaries, and more middle-aged workers, filled with God's spirit and able to visit in the homes.

I have not been able to do as much as formerly in visiting work, owing to an illness last spring when the Lord showed me how easily He could set me aside. The value of prayer has been impressed upon one more than ever at our noon meetings for prayer by missionaries. I can help some in Christian Endeavor work, and Temperance work in the city .

The little school in Aboul Ela has gone on much the same, and I continue to visit it once a week, besides going to the Sabbath School in the afternoons, which is called "a street Sabbath School" where the average attendance was eighty-three, of whom thirty-five were Moslems. Mr. Grice had been helping the evangelist, the Bible woman and me, till he was stationed in Beni Suef. The Women's Board pays the rent, $90 a year.

Anna Y. Thompson.

EVANGELISTIC WORK AMONG WOMEN IN CAIRO

MARY K. COVENTRY
Cairo, Egypt

The year is calling for a summing up of the work that has been done. What shall I say of the way we have been led during this another year of working together with Him and with His children in this city?

In many ways the year has been

an ordinary year with nothing special to mark it as different from other years, and yet there are experiences that stand out as in a bright light.

God has answered prayer in a wonderful way in some very definite instances and in His answering has rebuked us for our little faith and has encouraged us to expect great things of Him. He has touched with healing where human help seemed to be exhausted; He has opened hearts, that seemed so hard, to the message carried by His humble messengers. He has led in the approach to those who knew Him not. He has been with us and has made His face to shine upon us. He has fulfilled His promise that His Presence should go with us.

We had no workers' conference for Cairo this year, but are trying another plan for the year and are glad to report that it seems to be a real blessing to many. We are having a number of series of evangelistic meetings for various sections of the city. We have meetings for the women in the afternoon and for the men at night. This makes it possible for us to have many more than if we had but the one gathering. There is another side to it that is a real blessing too. We are asking the Egyptian women of the city to lead these meetings—to do the speaking. It was a real joy to me to see how earnestly and how joyously the women responded to the suggestion and it was a joy to see their earnestness as they spoke to the groups of women. We hope before the summer comes to have a number of such gatherings and thus to help the women and at the same time to lead our Christian women out into more of this sort of service.

I wish you might all come in and visit us in our home for the New Missionaries . These first two years for young missionaries are not easy years for them as they must adjust themselves to new environments and conditions and to a different climate. But we do have good times together even while they are so busy in their further preparation for their work here. We were sad indeed that there were none to come out last fall to join the ranks of workers here, and are eagerly looking for word of those who shall come in the fall to take their place here with us in this very needy part of the Kingdom.

Mary K. Coventry.

EVANGELISTIC WORK AMONG WOMEN IN BENI SUEF DISTRICT

ISABEL HOSACK
Beni Suef, Egypt

The following program will show better than anything else just what we are doing as Women in Middle Egypt since this is the program we have been following for some time.

I have tried to look after the work in Beni Suef where the work has already advanced so greatly that I always feel that it should go right along without any assistance from me and the ladies do plan to help me at the next clinic by giving lectures which we are planning to have in the hardest big village in the middle Egypt. Just pray will you please that where the welcome is given to the clinic the Spirit of Christ may so prevail that not only lives may be surrendered from selfishness but that courage may be given to loyally confess HIM.

WEEKLY PROGRAM

Sabbath, a. m.—Beni Suef church; Nukh (two meetings); Ali Bey (two group meetings).

Sabbath p. m.—Beni Suef, Sabbath School except 2nd and 4th Abu Rumh.

Monday a. m.—Beni Suef (visit Moslems with Miss Malaka); "At Home" 4 p. m. to 7 p. m.

First Monday each month—All day with Um Zakki in Ashment.

Tuesday, last each month—All day in Bibba with Sit Fardos.

Wednesday a. m.—Mirmah, visiting homes with Sit Aneesa.

Wednesday p. m.—Mirmah, meeting in school-house.

Third Wednesday each month—Wasta, a. m. visit homes with Sit Wosfa.

Third Wednesday each month—Wasta, p. m. meeting at 4 (Sit Aneesa).

Thursday a. m.—Beni Suef, visit Christians with Miss Malaka.

Thursday p. m.—Beni Suef, meeting in church at 4.

Last Thursday—All day in Boosh with Um Zakki, visit a. m., meeting at 4 p. m.

Friday a. m.—Nukh, clinic and group teaching (Miss Aneesa).

First Friday p. m.—Bible Teachers, Study Hour, 10 to 12, Dinner at 12:30.

Saturday—Practice on piano, read Arabic with Sheik, clean house.

Twice a year visit Faheem effendi Gyyad Bible Teacher in Anilkis.

Twice a year visit Sitt Shamaa blind Bible Teacher in Fikreeya.

Isabel Hosack.

EVANGELISTIC WORK AMONG WOMEN IN FAYOUM

Studying Arabic in the Study Center in Cairo from January to July—six weeks at the summer camp at Sidi Bishr—back at the Study Center until November—two months in the Fayoum in the Bible women's work—would tell in a few words what has been done this year, but wouldn't tell you of the joys and sorrows incurred in the attempt to grasp a knowledge of Arabic—of a delightful summer— or the happiness of having

RACHEL TRACY SEIVER
Fayoum, Egypt

a real share in the work of the Lord's vineyard and experiencing at all times a knowledge of His presence and help.

The most outstanding event of the year, was coming to the Fayoum. The work here has largely been building on the foundations laid by others and the fact that the foundations were so well laid is a great help to one new in the work. What an inspiration it is to associate with such consecrated workers as are the three Bible women we have here! I enjoy the Bible study with them in the morning before taking up the day's work, and our prayer together for help and strength, also our gathering together in the evening to talk over the events of the day and remember our special needs in prayer.

I wish you could go with us to the homes and see how eagerly those women who have never had an opportunity to learn to read when children, grasp the opportunity to learn from the Bible women; it isn't long before they are reading in the Bible for themselves and each visit of the worker is a Bible lesson.

Then you would like the work in the villages, too, seeing the way so many respond to the message of the Gospel and are so eager to learn more. It is a joy to see the progress in the lives of those most interested and to hear them tell of the way they have learned to pray. Surely the Lord will claim His own from those who have "received the Word with joy." At one Moslem home we visited, a neighbor happened in and as the Bible woman was telling of the power of Jesus to heal, our hostess turned to her friend and said, "Yes, we heard of one woman that just touched the hem of His garment and was healed." This seemed such a wonderful thing to her.

Our hearts are filled with thanks for the privilege we have of serving the Lord here and we praise Him for all He has done for us and pray that we may truly be fit vessels for His use.

Rachel Tracy Seiver.

EVANGELISTIC WORK AMONG WOMEN IN ASSIUT DISTRICT

RENA HOGG
Assiut, Egypt

I gratefully witness to the fact that such opportunities as the year has brought me of accompanying our Bible women on their rounds have deepened my sense of the worth of their work. Pioneering is certainly not their forte, but the work they are fitted for and are doing is work for which also there is much need, and even the one of the ten of whom my hopes were weakest has been privileged to be a blessing to some.

While all this is comforting it is still true that no one can over-estimate our unmet need for workers of the pioneering type. Streets upon streets of unentered doors keep calling to our hearts, and everywhere, near and far, stretches fallow ground which might be turned into good soil bringing forth a hundred-fold.

One gift of the year has been a great relief and joy to me. When I wrote last I was bemoaning a very hampering circumstance—the difficulty of finding suitable accommodations for any Bible woman whose original home is not in Assiut. Since October I have been rejoicing in having living-quarters for two such workers in the chapel-rooms of the old P. M. I. building—a building occupied for over forty years by the girls' boarding school, but now bought over for college uses. The expense and labour of necessary alterations was borne by the College and the "Women's Work" reaped the results. The $10 monthly rental we pay most ungrudgingly in confidence that the Lord will provide.

Miss Julia Hunna moved into the house at once and for six weeks we experimented with a second worker. Twice it has been occupied by Bible women from other parts in need of change, and once for over a month by a widow with her little son. She offered for Bible work and I wished to have her near me that I might test her powers and her suitability and give her some help and guidance. She thought life in her new surroundings was "like heaven"! Nevertheless she moved on, in good spirits, to her future sphere in Nagada and has been warmly welcomed there.

If this report is intended to be at all personal I cannot close it without expressing my joy in having gained

so much in strength, in having had the chance to visit some 25 towns and villages, and in having once more had the privilege of helping at the Bible women's Summer School at Tanta and the Conference for Moslem Converts at Zeitoun, all of which are most enviable kinds of work to have a share in—the type that sends one on one's way rejoicing.

Rena L. Hogg.

EVANGELISTIC WORK AMONG WOMEN IN LUXOR DISTRICT

LAURA B. WALKER
Luxor, Egypt

There have been openings in many new villages and homes, the past year. We cannot with our two Bible women here in Luxor, begin to seize the opportunities afforded. Our best trained teacher, Afifa Makhiel, left us last April for her Heavenly Home. After five days of suffering from burns, she was relieved of her sufferings. It was she who opened up many Moslem homes to us and through her, a village of Moslems welcomes us. They and all her pupils felt her loss most keenly. The two Bible women here are doing faithful efficient work, one spending three mornings a week in Karnak village. The five in the district too, send in encouraging reports each month. Mrs. Work reports the evangelist's wife at Edfu is a most faithful conscientious worker. The meetings for women which Mrs. Work held while there had an average attendance of forty which showed "Mother of Eugenie" was not idle. While the "Witness" was there Mrs. Work came in touch with a young girl who was willing to come to us for training. She has since united with the church and we hope to send her to the Training School next year. A hurried visit to Dishna, where another consecrated mother works as Bible woman as well as keeps house for her son, showed what good work she is doing among girls and boys who have no Christian training at all. She longed that an evangelist might be sent there and Presbytery has just appointed a Seminary student for the summer months.

Our Luxor Bible women meet in the Women's Board Residence each Friday afternoon to study the subject for the following week and have prayer for our pupils. The subject is the one we use in our regular visits. Most of our pupils here are "Listeners". This year we are studying the Women of the Bible. We notice a marked improvement in the attention and interest among our regular pupils. Some are so happy that we have these subjects and testify to their helpfulness. Leading up to Christmas, we drop the regular lesson and teach the Birth of Christ and at Easter, the Resurrection. One of the Moslem pupils remembered the Birth of Christ and told it herself without the teacher's aid. Another of our young Moslem pupils is married and we are happy that she is continuing her lessons in the Gospel of John. The daughter of the one who is a true believer became engaged. She had no interest in learning to read but after she became engaged and she thought she was to go to a far village she has taken quite an interest in her lessons.

Recently some of us were driving to a town to visit. While Mr. Gillespie was changing a tire, as usual a crowd gathered around to gaze. Two women, with little boys astride their shoulders gave us an opportunity to talk and their dirty faces covered with flies suggested the subject, cleanliness which led to purity of heart. Men crowded too and one said "She speaks the truth." The plan of salvation was told simply as one may never see them again. One of the men said, "Our women do not know anything but if you could just send a teacher to them three times, they would learn." Friends, these were Moslems and that is the plea of hundreds of villagers where no one is working.

Fifteen girls from our Street Sabbath School Class received rewards for faithful attendance. Two have been married, one of whom is taking lessons from the Bible teacher. The Boys' Class is taught by a young man, son of converted Moslems. He hopes to be a minister.

Summer work is carried on while the Bible teachers are on their vacation, by those who are in training. One worked a month over on the West Side near the Tombs of the Kings.

Three of these girls are in the Bible Women's Training School so if cupid does not get busy, we hope some day to have some trained teachers in this Upper Country.

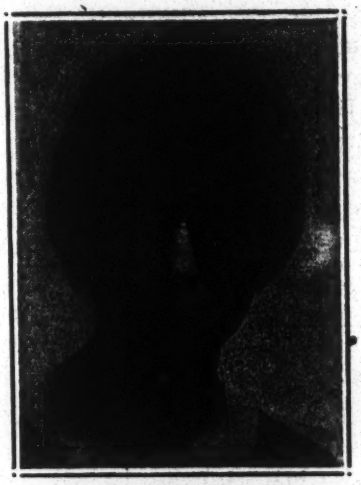
Mrs. Work, who is already carrying on meetings and visiting homes wherever the "Witness" stops on its 313 mile journey, is to be in charge of the five Bible women this coming year. They are scattered over this large district. Miss Esther Wilson will take over the Luxor Work and that of surrounding villages.

Laura B. Walker.

Reports from the Missionary Ladies who are Studying the Arabic Language in the S. O. S. or in other words the School of Oriental Languages.

CAIRO

This year has seen many changes in my work here in Egypt. The first part of the year was much like last year going daily to the Study Center during the week, going once each week to my little school in Krunfish and attending Sabbath School and church there each Sabbath morning. I spent the summer at Sidi Bishr where my time was divided between Arabic, resting and recreation. Then



M. FRANCES TAIT
Cairo, Egypt

in September we again took up our work in the Study Center. But the last of October we who came out in nineteen twenty-five finished our work in the Study Center and took up our appointments.

Kulali Girls' Day School in Cairo was my appointment. This did not necessitate my moving so I am still a member of Mrs. Coventry's household in Boulak. It had been more than two years since I had been in school work and many things are very different here in Egypt so I still feel more like a pupil than the head of the school. I have a very efficient head teacher and she has been a wonderful help to me. We have just finished our

mid-term examinations and although they were not very encouraging they have helped me to see wherein I can be of more help to the teachers.

The school helps to support a Bible woman who gives most of her time to visiting in the homes of the children. I go out with her one morning each week. In this way I am getting in touch with the parents of the girls which helps so much in knowing how to deal with many of the problems which come up. There are great differences in the home conditions of the girls. Some of the parents are interested in their girls getting an education and some just send them to school to get them out of the way at home until they are old enough to be married. What wonderful opportunities we have in the schools! Will you remember us in your prayers that we may make the most of these opportunities and that we may train our girls to meet life's problems strong in their faith in a Heavenly Father who is able and willing to help them meet all life's problems. And may many be led to acknowledge before men Jesus Christ as their Savior and King.

The Kulali School is my appointment but I am only to give as much time to it as I can spare from the study of Arabic. In other words Arabic is my first job until I have finished the Mission requirements. So a portion of every day is given to the study of Arabic and I am thankful to be near the Study Center where I can and do still go for some of my lessons.

Marie F. Tait.

STUDY CENTER, CAIRO

A report of my year's work briefly summed up should not take up much space, for—I've been studying Arabic. However, even though that sentence is short and sounds very easy, yet it really takes ones time rather fully. It is surprising just how much time it requires to even touch the surface of that subject.

Last Spring after the examinations, Mrs. Eby and I went up the river to the Ibis and were with the Reeds for a few days and got some practice in telling Bible Stories. It was my first opportunity to use the words I had learned, among the village folk. The women coming down to the river to get water or to do their washing were usually quite willing to listen to the stories and incidentally to look us over. Sometimes one or two would be really interested in the story of the Savior. The experiences of these few days made me more eager than ever to learn to talk to them.

MRS. ADA A. DUNLAP
Cairo, Egypt

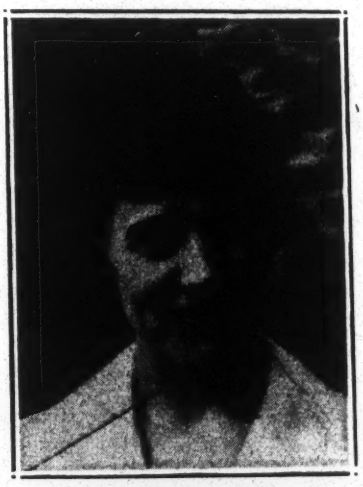
This winter I have a little Sabbath School Class in one of the smaller meeting places. I have ten little girls who are very interesting. They are bright and interested and eager to learn. Even though their faces are not always clean and their dresses are rather wonderful to behold and not very clean always, yet they are very lovable. This is an excellent opportunity for losing any shreds of vanity one might have about her teaching, when the Evangelist in reviewing the lessons asks the class one after another what they have learned

and they one and all stand up with down-cast eyes twisting knots in their skirts but not answering a word. One comes home with a rather firm tread after such an experience and attacks the next lesson with a grim determination to teach them at least one thing next week. Then there are happier times when they one after another tell of what they are willing to do through the week to show their love for Jesus.

I have been calling in their homes and have been amazed at what I have learned of the way these poor people have to live. I had heard of their poverty and the squalidness of their homes but I find the reality so far beyond anything I could picture that it rather appalls me. How glad I am that I have a wonderful Story to tell of a Wonderful Love.

Ada A. Dunlap.

STUDY CENTER, CAIRO



MRS. SARA M. EBY
Cairo, Egypt

I wish you could go with me some Sabbath morning to visit my Sabbath School class. Each Missionary teaches a Sabbath School class as a part of his or her second year's language work. As far as my own teaching is concerned it is hampered considerably by stumblings over difficult words and hasty gropings for words that should be on the tip of my tongue, but somehow manage to elude me at the moment when they are most needed.

You may remember Husseneih as one of the places in which Miss Smith conducts a Welfare center. There is also a day school, with an enrollment of sixty girls in the building. This school is taught by Miss Nur, an Egyptian teacher who also has charge of the Sabbath School. We have about forty girls in Sabbath School which seems remarkable when one considers that this is a strongly Mohammedan district and that only one of the sixty girls enrolled in the school is from a Christian family.

The little girls are allowed to bring baby sisters and brothers with them to Sabbath School. Otherwise they might be kept at home to care for them. Some of these babies look almost as large as the "big sisters" on whose shoulders they sit in true Egyptian fashion.

When the lesson is suitable we sometimes dramatize it and the children enjoy it very much, although the poor little mites don't know how to play and are as stiff and "wooden" as possible. I confess I began to have doubts as to the efficacy of my teaching when I asked my class not long ago, what Joseph commanded his servants to put in his brothers' sacks, and one little girl replied, "The chief butler". But I am comforted by the thought that He whose "strength is made perfect in weakness" is able to use even my halting Arabic for the advancement of His kingdom.

Mrs. Sara Eby.

STUDY CENTER, CAIRO

I think it is very wrong to ask one who is in the Study Center to write for publication.

In November I was given a small assignment here in Cairo in addition to my work in the language school. I was assigned to go to the Sharabia meeting place to assist in the Sabbath School and in any other way possible.

This is a means of getting us out among Arabic speaking people that we may be forced to use our Arabic vocabulary. I attend the church services on Sabbath. I have the privilege of teaching a class of girls in the Sabbath School. I think they might well be called martyrs for Arabic sake for I am sure that they suffer in trying to understand what this strange teacher is trying to say. I prepare my lesson at school with my teacher then try to reproduce it on Sabbath.

LOIS KINGAN
Cairo, Egypt

On Monday I visit in the afternoon with the Bible woman in the homes of the congregation. I also try to have a moment on Monday to look in on the little day school. I had to make a choice between visiting and helping with the school. I felt that for my Arabic I could get more practice in the visiting and also would be able to make very helpful contacts. The Bible woman does the work, I just go with her. We try to visit in four homes in the time we are out. She reads a portion of Scripture and leads in prayer in each home. The women all seem very anxious to hear and will always leave their work to come in for the lesson. They very often bring all the neighbors. We were quite glad last Sabbath to see at church one of the ladies on whom we had called the week before. There seems to be "Sabbaticus" here as well as in America that keeps people away from church until they are called upon and urged to come regularly.

Just last Monday we visited in the home of a little school girl. Of course we were offered coffee but we begged off saying that we had come to visit and very much preferred that they stay in the room rather than go out to make coffee. An old man who was there insisted then that cigarettes be passed. Mufeeda, the little girl whom we had gone to see just bristled; she said, "Of course not, that would be a shame, a crime." Now as a rule old men are right in this land but this girl had learned our attitude toward smoking and she stood her ground. Needless to say the things were not offered to us. This girl leaves her home in the mornings at seven and gets home about five in the evening. I am hoping that I can place her in a school nearer to her home.

Lois Kingan.

Reports of Schools for Girls Supported by the Women's Board.

DR. CARRIE M. BUCHANAN MEMORIAL GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL, LUXOR

IDA WHITESIDE
Luxor, Egypt

The work of the Dr. Carrie M. Buchanan Girls' Boarding School has been carried on steadily and successfully during the last year. The enrollment has been about 325 in the

Boarding School and Primary village school combined. There have been about 65 boarders. Last May, for the second time we passed the highest percentage of girls in the uniform Mission examination. This is due largely to the devoted work of our fine band of teachers. We have had to make very few changes in the teaching staff during the past few years. Three of our teachers who had not completed the last two years of the school work, studied outside along with their regular work, passed the uniform examinations and received their full diplomas. One of our newest departures was a current events club for the teachers and older girls which was started by Miss Campbell.

JEAN CAMPBELL
Luxor, Egypt

Our class for the blind, supported by Miss Annie Kyle, has included five girls and one little boy. One of the pupils has been teaching a blind Moslem man in Miss Walker's house, as well.

Five girls graduated in 1927. One has opened a school for girls in a village where relatives live. Her pupils now number 100, and two younger girls are working under her direction. A lady in dying, left money for the support of this school, but they have been two years seeking a teacher to start it.

One of the graduates is teaching in our school at Assiut, and two are taking nurses training in the hospital there. One wishes to make nursing her profession, while the other wishes the knowledge thus gained as an aid to her in doing Bible work later. The fifth girl is doing graduate work here, and acting as substitute teacher when need arises. Altogether we are very proud of that class and their record.

Of the 107 graduates of the school during the 26 years, 56 have been at sometime in Christian service. Thirty are now so engaged. Besides these there have been many workers from the school who never graduated.

During the year the interest of the girls has continued in the village evangelistic work which they do on Sabbaths. They have reached about 60 women and 100 children on each of 20 Sabbaths during the school year. The interest in the prayer band has also continued. Four girls united with the Church during the year. The Sabbath School has been the largest ever.

The year has been a good one, and with God's help we hope to make each succeeding one better than the last.

Ida Whiteside.

GIRLS' SCHOOL, BENI SUEF

MARGARET WORK
Beni Suef, Egypt

Another School year closed June 23rd. During the ten months a total of 168 girls and little boys had been taught of the love of God for them as shown in Christ Jesus. Some of them

are not back this year. Two have been taken to the Heavenly Home. Some lives are different from last year, touched, we are sure by the life of Him as seen in teachers and other Christian friends. And now each day 150 expectant faces challenge us "that the life also of Jesus may be manifested in our bodies." Pray that teachers may be holy, that the missionary here and in all of your Mission schools may be wholly consecrated to the Lover of Children, black or white, dull or dirty, neat and attractive, or listless and unkempt.

Little hearts bind the homes to the school. One lonely mother, a few days after the death of her little daughter, came to the school bringing oranges and nuts for the girls in her class. The girls were very quiet and thankful to her, for they all loved Bahga. We thought it a much better memorial to her who had gone than to take the food to the grave where the beggars would fight over it, the custom so often followed here.

This became a Mission school in 1908. We have enrolled this year more Moslem pupils than any year but one, of which we have the record. Unfortunately some of these were only in school for a few weeks. We ask your prayers that they may come back to us. I firmly believe it is opposition of relatives which took them away, though of course they gave other excuses.

Six girls were graduated last year. We are hoping that most of the eleven now in our highest class may be able to finish the year's work and five of these have said they were definitely planning on going to higher schools next year. One of our last year's graduates is now in our Ezbekieh Boarding School in Cairo, another is taking French and music in a Catholic school here. The others are at home. Imagine your daughter "sitting at home" after she has only had seven years of school life! But that is all we can give them here.

You have prayed long that we may have a healthful and suitable school building here, a building in which missionaries, teachers and Bible women might live and work more efficiently. Your prayers are being answered. On December 24 the deed for the land was secured and now it has been registered. Our land with its nice crop of Egyptian beans, is in a new part of the city, a part which was all fields a year ago, right on the path to two large Moslem mud villages—"an ideal location", says everyone who sees it and knows the needs of the work here. Keep on praying that there may be added to the N. W. M. funds in hand so the three needed Community Center Buildings (in Benha, Zagazig, and Beni Suef) may be completed. We know that schools and homes for workers are provided when the need is known.

Margaret A. Work.

NELLIE C. SMITH
Minia, Egypt

MINIA

The work to which I have been assigned since my return to Egypt is in Minia, a large and important town in middle Egypt. There are in this town two large United Presbyterian churches and each of these has a mission in another part of town. The second church has had a girls' school for many years but has never had a missionary to help them with it, although they have asked for one many

times. This year their request was granted and the Mission is to furnish the lady to take charge of it, while the church is to finance it.

There is a great opportunity to train the future church of this city, also to work with the churches in doing the work which lies before them. We need your prayers that this may prove to be a blessing to the work here and to all this district.

Nellie C. Smith.

ELSIE FRENCH
Zagazig, Egypt

BENHA GIRLS' SCHOOL

Any one following up a close study of the history of this school would find that it is a story of an ebb and flow—a time when the school is flourishing and then in a year's time a time of crisis when we wonder if it will pay to keep the school open any longer. The Superintendent of this school certainly experiences the extremes of perfect joy and utter discouragement.

This year we are on the Mountain top. Our attendance has reached 100 girls, more than a third of whom are Mohammedans. The tuitions have come up so that we feel sure that we can care for all obligations without appealing to any one for help. But more than that is the great joy we have in our Sabbath School work. Most of the girls attend the Sabbath School regularly and are showing, in their conduct, that they are being very greatly impressed by what they are learning of The Great Teacher. They are also showing a great interest in their daily Bible Lessons.

QUESNA GIRLS' SCHOOL

This school is a source of great joy to those of us who are watching its progress. Two years ago a little school was started but the parents refused to pay the tuitions saying that it was the duty of the Americans to educate their children free of charge. I told them that if ever their children were educated they would have to pay the money themselves. I closed the school and kept it closed all last year. This year it was opened again with the understanding that every child who entered the school must pay the full tuition for the year before entering the class for the first time. They began to believe that I meant what I said and they paid the tuitions. The tuitions are now paying entirely for the two teachers in the school, and for the school servant but I am using money that friends at home gave me to furnish maps and kindergarten supplies. I hope next year to have the school pay that money back when we can accommodate more pupils and thus have larger tuitions. As long as the parents pay the expenses of this school it will be continued but as soon as they refuse then the school will be closed. In the meantime the girls are getting a splendid knowledge of the Bible and oh, how they do enjoy those lessons! They are now reading the Gospel of Mark and they are greatly delighted when they read a story they have heard before and realize that they can really read those stories now for themselves. In their daily lessons they are doing splendid work and one class has already completed one year's work and are trying to complete the work of another year before June. They were so far behind other girls of their age that I

surely hope, that they will be able to do two years work this year. Nearly one-third of the girls have not been absent a single Sabbath during this year from Sababth School.

As we look back over this year's work we see many things left undone which should have been done but we thank the Lord of the Harvest for the many opportunities we have had to "Cast the bread upon the waters" and we have His promise that it shall not return unto Him void.

Jeannette L. McCrory.

SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, FAYOUM

MARGARET BELL
Fayoum, Egypt

The big excitement in our school this past year was the visit of King Fuad I, of Egypt. During a four day visit in our city, one forenoon was given to visiting schools, and ours was among the number honored by a visit from His Royal Highness. The building and grounds had been decked out in all the decorations we had, and all that we could beg and borrow. His Majesty, accompanied by his Ministers, the Governor of the Province, and all the notables of the town, arrived here a little before noon. The King very graciously attended to all that we had arranged for him, and expressed himself as highly pleased with all that he saw and heard. After the King had been bowed out, his Master of Ceremonies handed me an envelope saying "His Majesty takes great pleasure in presenting you with his cheque for fifty pounds, ($250) to be used for your school as you think best." He also gave me a roll which contained a beautifully engraved photograph of His Majesty.

After consultation with teachers and patrons, we decided to use the gift to start a library for the school.

The securing of a competent staff of Christian teachers was a real test of faith during last summer vacation. Our faithful God was our Helper and school opened in September with our staff complete, albeit a large number of teachers without experience. However, the class room work, on the whole, has been good. The revised Course of Study, with its suggestions to teachers has been of invaluable help.

Mrs. Rachel Tracy Seiver, who came to Fayoum in November to superintend the evangelistic work for women, has been very efficiently superintending our piano teaching. Six pupils are taking piano. The lessons are given by Miss Hakema Amin, one of our last year's graduates. She is a volunteer worker.

Our attendance is somewhat larger than last year. The quality of new pupils is encouraging. In practically every case, new patrons bring their girls to us because of the quality of the work we are trying to do.

We feel that many of our girls are really learning to study the Word of God and to love our Lord Jesus Christ, and to testify to His saving and keeping power. Christmas Day was a glad day for us, because on that day five of our girls publicly professed their faith in Christ and united with the church.

A number of our teachers and older girls are members of the volunteer preaching band. They go out Sabbath mornings after church to preach

to the women who are sitting in the narrow lanes and courtyards. This work has been of very great benefit to our school girls. It vitalizes their interest in Bible study, and deepens their Christian experience. They have a definite interest in praying for the unsaved.

Our Girls' Christian Endeavor meets weekly, and a monthly Girls' Missionary Society is a very live organization.

For needed helpers, for the supply of their and our daily needs, both temporal and spiritual, for the high privilege of having a share in the work of His Kingdom, we give praise and glory to Him who is unfailingly a very present Help in time of need.

Margaret A. Bell.

MANSURA GIRLS' SCHOOL

FRANCES PATTON
Mansurah, Egypt

The past year has been a busy one —yet happy. "Follow up" work was carried on in the homes of the girls during the summer vacation. The Teachers' Institute in Assiut was attended by most of the teachers. Every day one sees in the classes the results of this institute. It gives them an opportunity for exchanging ideas with their fellow workers; and above all, renewing of friendships, and forming others, which makes their lives fuller and richer.

Our first day of school this year was one full of surprises for the girls. They came into a new office made, by transforming a darkened room into a bright cheery room, by the addition of some paint and new floors. Such remarks as these were heard by those who were the first to arrive. "We have a new floor in our room." "Our walls have been painted and we have new floors." When we went into the chapel many were the exclamations over the nice large room, made by the removal of a wall. One little second year girl was heard to say: "Now we can have prayer meeting with the big girls, sometimes, and will not have to sit on those high benches". For all these temporal blessings we are truly grateful.

But the thing which has made us rejoice more is, the joining of our church by six of our Protestant girls at the Christmas season. This is a result of our special prayers, and of the Communicants' class conducted by our pastor. Every girl from the third grade upward is in this class which meets weekly.

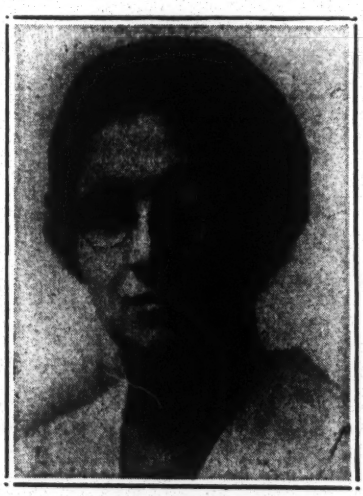
Some of our Coptic girls are ready to come into our church but are opposed by their parents. They come to us and say: "There is nothing for us to do in the Coptic Church. There is no Sabbath School, Missionary nor Thank-Offering meeting, nor White gift. We want to belong to a church where we can do something." In our week of prayer it was suggested that we pray especially for their church that it may be a live church. A lady educated in our schools remarked "The priests say it is the Copts educated in the American Mission who are dissatisfied with their church."

Prayer was offered before she departed, and in her prayer, she prayed that all Copts would do their part in reviving their native church. In closing she said; "O, Lord show me the Truth."

Frances Patton.

REPORT OF THE MARY CLOKEY PORTER GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL TANTA, EGYPT FOR THE YEAR 1927

As we think of the year 1927 in its experiences and its work there comes to us the consciousness of the comfort and pleasures that we have had every day and every hour in the splendid building and grounds of this school. The satisfaction of doing work in a place so admirably arranged and equipped to forward every effort, is a cause for daily gratitude and calls forth many expressions of deep thankfulness to God for His great goodness in providing such a place for service.



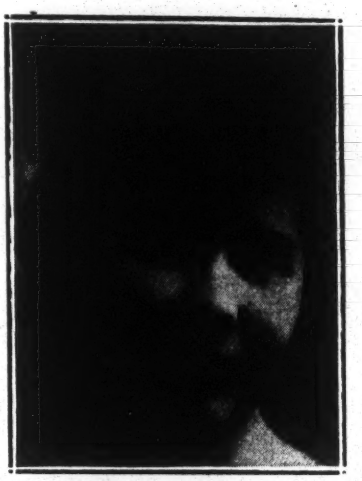
SARA B. MELOY
Tanta, Egypt

Another cause for gratitude which we have is the additional equipment we have received during the year. You may recall that about one-half of the school furniture which was sent out to us by the Women's Board in the summer of 1926 was lost. That loss was all made up this year by a second shipment and from the opening of school in September we have enjoyed having the chapel completely seated and the office fitted out with desk and chairs. In July we received a shipment of rear desks for the class rooms and 52 kindergarten chairs and a little later a box of kindergarten supplies. These were all sent out by the Women's Board. Locally we had made davenports and chairs for the reception rooms on the main floor and for the living room of the missionaries flat. Tables were made also for the reception rooms and the office. The Women's Board is bearing the expenses of this furniture as well as that sent out from America. We here wish to express our gratitude to them for their generosity.

The second semester of the school year 1926-1927 was marked by steady effort on the part of teachers and pupils trying to complete the work assigned for the year. A few new pupils entered at the beginning of the semester, but the classes remained largely the same throughout the year. The class to complete the school course numbered seven. One of these was teaching in the Coptic Girls' School at the same time she was studying. Two of the girls of the class helped her each evening. When the results of the uniform examinations were received, each of the seven had succeeded. A simple but nice Commencement program was held at the close of school at which the girls received the school diploma. One of these girls was a Moslem. She as well as the other six confessed her faith in Christ and all declared their purpose to live for Him. This was the happiest event of the year. The results of the examinations for the whole school were much better than the previous year.

The summer vacation brought us a new experience. A Christian Workers' Institute composed of pastors, evangelists, and missionaries was held in the school from July 26th to August 3rd. About 70 in all were present and all expressed themselves as delighted with the building and accommodations. This use of the building demonstrated the fact that it was admirably adapted for such purposes.

An invitation had already been given at the summer meeting of Association for the winter meeting to be held here and it had been accepted. In October we began to plan for it and with the united effort of the Tanta Mission Circle, preparations were made and carried out whereby the winter meeting of the Association was entertained in the school seemingly to the satisfaction of all. The dates were December 31st, 1927 to January 7th, 1928.



RUTH WILLIAMSON
Tanta, Egypt

Another pleasure that the summer brought us was the coming of Miss Ruth M. Williamson to be associated in the administration of the school and have charge of the kindergarten department. We trust that this happy association in service may continue long and that God's favor may rest upon it.

This brings us to mention the new department of work which was opened in September. The kindergarten which had been planned from the time of the first consideration of plans for the permanent school building, was at last ready both in equipment and a head to direct it and after considerable advertising during the summer, it was opened with the opening of the new school year and from the first stirred a good deal of interest among the people of the city. Month by month new pupils have entered it until now February 11, 1928 there are 45 enrolled. We have been much gratified at this encouraging beginning.

The school made a record for itself at the opening of the new school year 1927-1928. Not only did the kindergarten do well, but both the day and boarding departments brought in such numbers that we were taxed to the limit of time and strength to take care of them. By November the day school enrollment was about 245 and the boarders numbered 58. One gratifying feature of the year's enrollment was the fact that so many Moslem children were in attendance. Decidedly more than the half of the kindergarten, 31 of the 58 boarders, and the half of the day pupils were Moslem children. We felt this situation presented a great challenge to us and we ask your prayers that these children may receive a true knowledge of the way of life in Jesus Christ and be led to accept Him as their Savior.

The autumn brought an epidemic of dengue fever. Our school fared better than many other schools in the number of cases ill with it. All made a satisfactory recovery. The health of teachers and girls during the year has been good. We are most grateful to God for the blessing of health.

Since entering the new building, the school had not come officially before the public. So it was decided that in December we would hold a public entertainment to which we would invite as representative an audience of the town people as our chapel would accommodate in order that they might see the character of work we try to do in the teaching and training of their children. Since we wanted many people to attend, we decided to ask the men for one night and the women for the next, thus making it possible to invite twice the number of people. The governor of the Province who is also the city mayor,

was invited and graced the occasion the night of the men's entertainment. The program went off well and everyone expressed himself as delighted with it. The kindergarten gave a Christmas party for the mothers of the kindergarten children. It was well attended and proved to be a novel and entertaining event to those present.

The religious work of the school has gone steadily forward and our daily prayer is that God's word will not return unto Him void, but that it may accomplish the purpose whereunto He sends it.

Carol E. McMillan,
Sarah B. Meloy,
Ruth M. Williamson.

CENTRAL GIRLS' SCHOOL ALEXANDRIA

LEOTA CABEEN
Alexandria, Egypt

We are grateful for another year of blessing in our work. As we look back over the year we see a marked improvement in many of these lives with whom we come in touch. Just recently we had the joy of sitting at the Communion table with three of our girls who came for the first time. There were others who came earlier in the year.

It is a joy to see them put their trust in One who can help them, and to see them "live out" the lessons which they learn. Recently a little girl writing of Jesus said, "We find Him always ready to help whoever asks Him: and so we must ask His help every day, not only in the days of examinations and troubles, but at our free times also." And by her life one sees she asks "His help" every day.

One of the girls from last year's class, who has been teaching for us left a few days since for America. She goes to be with her uncle there. She very bravely started out alone on her long journey, leaving her mother and friends behind, but she is one of those who has learned to know and trust the Unseen Friend.

As the days go on faithful teachers are keeping before the girls the primary aim of our work, and through the daily Bible classes in which every girl is a member, through the Sabbath School and Missionary Societies, and in other ways Christ is being held up before the girls. Many have recently joined the Scripture Union, pledging themselves to read daily from God's Word. There are those who have signed the Temperance Pledge and are keeping it although temptations have been repeatedly put in their way. There are others who have learned how to have the victory over a hasty temper; earnest efforts to conquer selfishness and stubbornness are being put forth by others. It is pleasing to see how they stand the test when trials come. But there is still room for much change and growth in the lives of many of these girls.

Leota Cabeen

KARMOUZ

Karmouz Girls' Primary School is situated in a densely populated Coptic section of Alexandria. We have no building here and only dwelling flats are available for rent. The result is a rather unsuitable place for a school on the second floor with no play-

ground. However, we have no trouble getting pupils as we have a consecrated corps of teachers who con-

EDNA SHERRIFF
Alexandria, Egypt

scientiously do their work whether the supervisor is present or not. This is an unusual condition for schools in Egypt and the parents recognize it. They also see that the children who attend our schools behave better in the homes and are happy in the school.

So, although we have 150 children crowded into two big rooms and one tiny one—yet we must continually turn children away because even a crowded condition can reach its limits. Although our physical training, hand work, and order cannot be up to standard, yet I feel we can well be proud of the religious and moral influence of the school on the lives of the children.

BACOS

The Bacos Girls' Primary School is a comparatively new school situated in Bacos, a suburb of Alexandria. We own no building there but as is true of all suburbs there is more space than in the heart of the city so we were able to rent the ground floor of an apartment building which has a small yard around it suitable for a playground. The class rooms open off of a large central room which serves for a chapel room each morning and for church services twice on Sabbath and two evenings through the week.

It is a small school but it is patronized by our Protestant families and by several Moslem families giving us an opening into the Moslem homes and an opportunity to give the children of Protestant parents the religious training they should have and would not get in any other school in that suburb.

Edna Sherriff.

DORA MASON
Central Girls' School
Alexandria, Egypt.

KHAYATT SCHOOL FOR GIRLS ASSIUT

As many of you already know, the Khayatt Girls' School is a unique feature of our work here in Egypt. Except for the salary of the missionary in charge and the comparatively small sum contributed by tuitions it is supported by a wealthy Egyptian family here in Assiut. The tuitions are small, the highest amounting to about nine dollars per year in American money, and many children are admitted free of tuition. We have at present three hundred and seventeen girls in school, and our inadequate quarters are crowded to just about the limit of the building's capacity. We have thought at times that the

limit had been reached, but we always seem to be able to find a place for one more.

ALICE GRIMES
Assiut, Egypt

The majority of our girls are Coptic. We have at present some Protestants, a few Moslems, a small number whose parents are members of the Plymouth Brethren Church, and the others come from Coptic homes.

We have derived much satisfaction as well as considerable entertainment from our new equipment for our work in Domestic Science this year. The chief feature being our new table, which is almost the same size as the kitchen in which it stands. It looks very much as if the kitchen had been built around the table, and as though the only way to remove it would be to tear down the wall; but "appearances are deceiving." It really was carried in at the door. One qualification for the new Domestic Science teacher whom we are expecting next year, as Miss Davidson is leaving us, is that she is not too big for the kitchen.

We have recently had a native oven built beside the kitchen, and here the Domestic Science classes will do their baking.

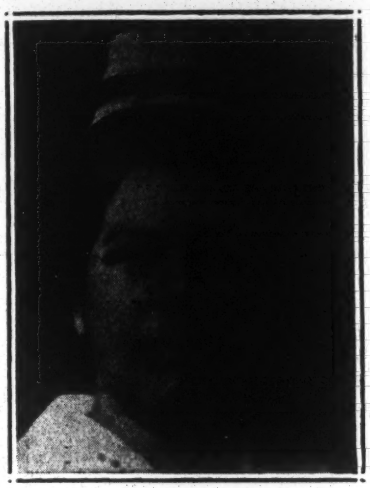
Our school is at present housed in a rented house which is, we believe, only a temporary arrangement, as the family which supports the school speaks of plans for erecting a new building soon which will make suitable and adequate provision for the school. We are eagerly anticipating the day when this plan will become a reality.

Five of our school girls and one young teacher joined the Evangelical Church at the time of the last communion service.

During the past few weeks some of the girls and two teachers have organized in groups which go out after the Sabbath morning service into parts of the town where the women and children attend no church service and there they teach the Word to interested and attentive audiences made up almost entirely of Moslems. This is not a new thing for the young people of our Mission Schools to do, and I am glad our girls have become enthusiastic about it, and pray that their eagerness to help others enjoy something of the blessings which they enjoy through Him may continue and may grow. Will you pray for us all, teachers and pupils? For the teachers, that we may not fail to witness for Him day by day, and for the girls that their hearts may be opened, that they may come to know Christ as their Savior and may diligently serve Him.

A. M. Grimes

THE REPORT OF THE AMERICAN MISSION CLINIC AND CHILD WELFARE CENTER AT BENHA, EGYPT



MAY HOLLAND
Benha, Egypt

Number of persons treated each month	Money received each month
January, 1382	$ 13.50
February, 836	20.00
March, 884	10.10
April, 919	20.00
May, 1768	30.00
June, 2479	44.15
July, 3367	46.00
August, 3456	30.25
September, 2948	35.00
October, 3847	25.75
November, 2423	20.10
December, 1382	17.50
Total, 25691	$312.35

Religions Represented

Mohammedans	24994
Copts	412
Jews	75
Evangelical	55
Total	25536

Diseases treated during the year.

Bilharzia, Pneumonia, Measles, Whooping cough, Dysentry, Rachitis, Fabus, Scabies, Sore Eyes, Sore Heads, Sore Ears, Malnutrition and many others.

Dr. Abader of Tanta visited the Clinic three times a week from January to June. He performed many eye operations and treated for Hookworm and Pneumonia. Many of the doctors in Benha send their women patients here for hypodermics and other treatment.

Our work has become known in the Valley of the Nile. This year people came from 120 villages and many of the villages are miles away. Last year "1926" the people came from 83 villages so you see we are getting better acquainted. Our Bible woman is on the job all the time if it is not the Gospel, it is a cup of coffee for some weary one, and there are many weary ones who come here. Our friends in the homeland sent us four large boxes at Christmas. One was a box of beautiful dolls from the Sixth U. P. Church, Chicago, dressed by the little girls of Miss Isabel Bradford's Sabbath School Class. One box of suits and warm shirts from Mrs. Lukens, Beloit Kansas. What a comfort the shirts were in cold weather; we have winter in Egypt too. The things that touch me more than any thing else, when gifts are sent, is the bit of trimming, the nice little safety pin, the bit of elastic, and all these came with the box from Kansas. Then there were sixty dresses and nice soft flannel for binders from the McKee Reed Ladies Missionary Society, Oil City, Pa., and another box from the First U. P. Church, Oil City, Lake Presbytery. Mrs. W. P. Christie sent it, and Mrs. Stewart sent the box with the flannel. If the ladies who sent the flannel could have seen how comfortable it made the twins, they would never use their pieces for anything else but to send them here. The Bible woman made even a pair of booties from the white piece. I am supposing now the ladies will read this and recognize the white piece. Many thanks to those who gave. I have read, "He that giveth to the poor lendeth to the Lord," and we may be sure He will pay back.

May Holland, R. N.

STATISTICAL REPORT AMERICAN MISSION HOSPITAL TANTA, EGYPT

—1927—

Number of patients admitted		1471
Men	688	
Women	565	
Children	218	
		1471

NATIONALITIES

Egyptian	1278	
American	135	
Greek	21	
British	15	
Syrian	11	
Sudanese	4	
Armenian	3	
Turk	1	
Berber	1	
German	1	
Swede	1	
		1471

RELIGIONS

Moslem	1011	
Protestant	246	
Coptic	175	
Greek Orthodox	26	
Catholic	6	
Armenian Orthodox	3	
Syrian Orthodox	2	
Jewish	2	
		1471

RESULTS

Cured	531	
Improved	554	
Unimproved	128	
Died	33	
Observation	130	
Delivered	44	
Still in hospital	51	
		1471
Total number of patients operated on		538
Total number of operations		656

Anaesthetics

Chloroform and ether	329	
Stovaine	106	
Stovaine and chloroform and ether	13	
Stovaine and novacaine	2	
Novacaine, cocaine and borocaine	57	
		48

Obstetrical Cases

In hospital—Full term	28	
Premature	16	
Outside cases	4	
		5046

Intravenous Injections

Tartar emetic	4499	
Neo salvarsan	547	
		259
Towns and villages represented by hospital patients		124
Number of missionaries and missionaries' children in hospital during the year		821
Hospital days for missionaries.		27
Operations on missionaries		25414
Total number of hospital days		17.27
Average number of hospital days for each patient		7300
Clinic visits		10
Number of villages visited		13
Number of village visits		650
Tanta visits		$24214.33
Total receipts		$34497.41
Total expenses		

LABORATORY REPORT

Examinations made for Egyptians	1229
Parasite free	366 or 30%
Bilharzia	557 or 45%
Ankylostoma	301 or 25%
Ascaris	487 or 40%
Amoeba	173 or 15%
Examinations made for Americans	90
Amoeba	4 or 4½%
Ascaris	1 or 90%

The foregoing statistical report shows fairly accurately the work which has been done in Tanta Hospital during the year 1927, and indicates that it has been quite prosperous. The number of patients received and the income from practice and hospital fees have been nearly equal to our best year. In some ways it has been the best year we have had. The number of influential people who have been included in our list of patients

is greater than in any former year so that the confidence of the better classes is constantly growing.

We have added considerably to our equipment and at the end of the year we have a much larger and better stock of medical and surgical supplies than we had at the beginning.

The evangelistic work has been carried out by Rev. W. B. Jamison and his two assistants, Mr. Murcus and Miss Mariam. Religious instruction has been given twice daily in the public wards and beside, a great deal of individual work has been done. Interested patients have been systematically followed up after leaving the hospital and much encouragement has been received by our evangelistic staff.

For many years the sanitary conditions round the hospital have been in a deplorable condition owing to the fact that all the drainage of the hospital had to be taken care of by cesspools. As the ground around the hospital is below the canal level the ground adjacent was often covered with seepage and was always in a foul muddy condition.

In November, the City, which has just completed a new sewage system, instructed us that we should be connected up with it and so work was begun, and at the present time has been completed. Now, for the first time in the history of the institution, our sanitary conditions approach what they should be.

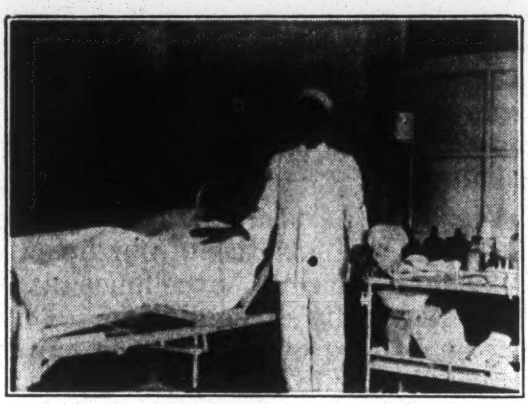
In keeping with the development of the practice of medicine the world over, changes have been occurring in Egypt. In the past our mission doctors labored to show by example and practice the difference between real medical service and the practice of superstitious charlatans. Since the Great War many young Egyptians are qualifying for practice in their own country and some of them are distinguishing themselves professionally. Hospitals are more in demand both by the doctors and by the people themselves. However, the need is very inadequately met. Most of the hospitals that exist outside of Cairo and Alexandria are government maintained and many of them are far from realizing the high ideals of efficient service expected of a modern hospital.

We are, therefore, trying to keep the ideals and practice of our hospital at such a level of excellence as to make it worthy of emulation. Then, too, such care of the sick as can be provided only in a hospital, and such surgical assistance as can be given only there, give the missionary doctors and evangelists such an audience with the patients as comes only because of sympathetic service rendered in time of great need.

A man had broken his arm between the shoulder and elbow. It was not an unusual fracture but it was cared for in such a way that great injury to the soft tissues of the arm resulted. Almost a month after the accident he went to a doctor, who finding the arm much swollen suspected pus and made two incisions. The result was that a severe infection did develop and the whole arm became gangrenous. Thoroughly frightened he came to our hospital. There seemed little hope of saving the life but the arm itself was sacrificed at the shoulder since that offered the only possible help. Now he is making a slow recovery. His gratitude is great indeed. He will not forget what it meant to him to have hospital care; he will not forget that the missionary doctor told him the truth about his condition; nor will he forget that here Christ was taught.

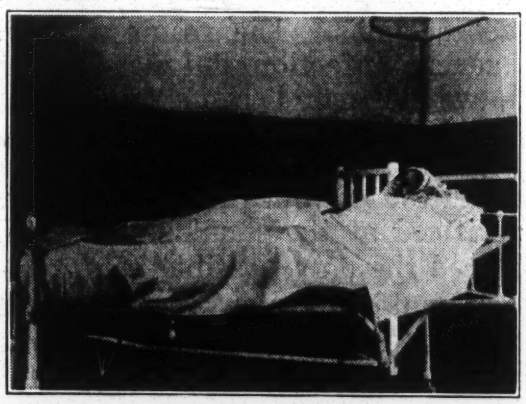
Another man came to the hospital for removal of a stone in the bladder. Only those who have so suffered know what torture he had endured. Then too, the operation and subsequent treatment are not without their full share of pain and attendant weakness. Here a modern posture bed and

trained kindly nursing are second only to the skill of the surgeon in importance. The illustration shows this



Ali Hossan, after dressing an operation wound. American Hospital, Tanta, Egypt.

man, his dressing just finished and himself made comfortable for the day. Standing beside him is Ali Hassan our most trusted native dresser who has grown to manhood in the service of the institution. The generosity of some unknown friends in America made this man's care possible. Perhaps you, reader, were one of those who gave money for the beds in Tanta hospital.



Woman in posture bed in the American Mission Hospital, Tanta, Egypt.

Women, too, suffer and must needs undergo the surgeon's knife, going down even to the point of death to obtain deliverance from pain. This bed, perhaps it was your gift, made it possible for the nurse to raise this girl's head into a comfortable position, and her knees too, so that she avoided some of the misery due to sliding down into a backbreaking posture. This means much during the long weary hours after an operation and sometimes it is the factor that swings the balance in the direction of recovery.

Visitors at the American Mission Hospital, Tanta, Egypt.

Then, too, there are the friends who pour into the hospital twice a week to visit their sick . It has been estimated that from twenty-five to thirty thousand visitors come to the hospital each year. While sitting by the bedside they are told from the mouth of the sick one the meaning of the Bible pictures on the wall, something of the stories they have heard, and always of the care they have received in His name. Perhaps the one time visitor becomes a patient because of what he has seen. Or, perhaps being treated elsewhere, he demands a higher type of service, such as he sees existing here.

There is in the hospital now a young man of Mohammedan parentage and training who professes that he has taken Christ as his Saviour. The hospital has been the means whereby Christ has reached his heart. Some years ago he came as a patient, and after being successfully treated he worked for a time as a helper in the ward. In this connection he not only heard the Word of God day after day, but he saw Christianity demonstrated by the doctors and nurses as they ministered to the sick. He learned also what Christian love and patience were, for both these were

exercised in large measure by the doctors and nurses, in dealing with him, because he was very mischievous. Later, however, he became so disobedient that he had to be dismissed. But during that stay the Lord had accomplished much for him even though it was not much in evidence. Sickness again followed a prolonged stay in his village, and he came to the hospital for help. He was received as a patient and has been here ever since. During this stay he has been in the ward where the Word is read and explained twice a day, and has come to see Christ as his Saviour. Were you to walk through the ward today to his bed in the corner, your question about his salvation would bring from him the answer that he has received Christ into his heart.

There is another patient in the hospital now who is a good witness to what Christ is able to do through the means of the medical work. Should you enter the women's ward today and stop beside bed number nine to speak you would enjoy seeing the face light up in response. Only recently that face was marked with the lines of pain and the sick one was near death's door. At the same time there was life within for she had heard the word read and explained each day of her rather long stay in the hospital. And not only had she heard, but she had believed and had accepted. To this she had witnessed to the Bible woman and repeated the testimony before me one evening when she seemed to be unlikely to live. Real improvement has taken place, physically, and also spiritually, for she listens to the daily Bible lessons with much interest and gives evidence that she is the Lord's.

A short time ago there came to the hospital a prostitute from one of the public houses here in Tanta. The wages of sin were being paid in a very diseased body. The daily messages about Christ went home to her heart almost from the first. The evening lessons are very often illustrated by lantern pictures, and these, for example the Prodigal Son story, made a deep impression on her. Frequently after the lights were turned on she would be found weeping. Tears such as one could credit only to sorrow and repentance flowed from her eyes after many of the lessons or after the singing of the Psalms. Then she witnessed to Christ as her Saviour, and said that she had originally been brought up as a Christian. To this testimony she held, and made it also to the mistress of the house where she had been an inmate, when she was visiting her in the hospital. The suffering continued and increased until the case seemed hopeless. For some reason the mistress referred to, decided to take her out of the hospital, and finally did so much against her own wishes for she wanted to die amongst Christians. But she held to her faith in Christ, and made it clear to the inmates of the house that she was now a Christian. On the third day after she left the hospital her spirit found relief from the diseased body. The mistress and former friends respected the witness which she had given by giving her a Christian burial instead of a Mohammedan burial. Surely we can look forward to meeting her amongst the redeemed in heaven, having been made pure and holy in the blood of the Lamb.

I am indebted to Dr. Hutchison and Mr. Jamison for their assistance in compiling this report.

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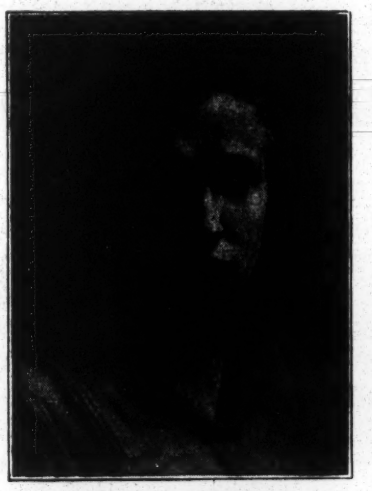

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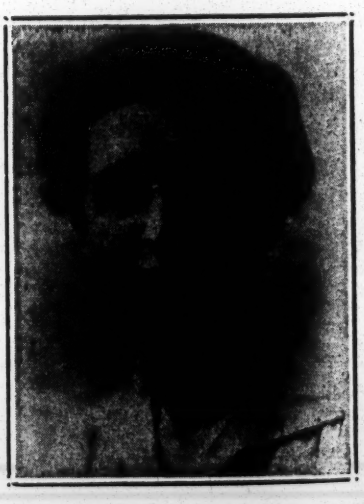

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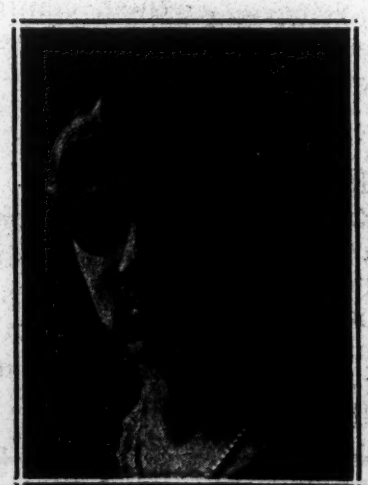

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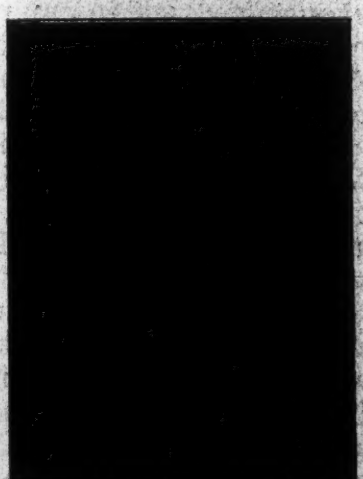

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THE YEAR IN INDIA

DISTRICT WORK

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Badomali—Miss Roma B. Beatty, Miss Theresa Brownlee.

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Gujranwala and Eminabad—Miss Hazel Bennett, Miss Ruth I. Ardrey.

Gurdaspur—Miss Fannie C. Martin.

Jehlum—Miss Mary E. Logan, Miss Georgia Wengert (Oct.—)

Lyallpur—Miss Esther Moyer, Miss Margaret Murdoch (Oct—).

Pasrur—Miss Mary Kyle, Miss Helen Artman (Oct.—).

Pathankot—Miss Henrietta Moore, Miss Laurella G. Dickson.

Rawal Pindi—Miss Mary A. Lawrence.

Sangla Hill—Miss Lorena B. Taylor, Miss Katherine Beattie (Oct.—).

Sargodha North—Miss Kate A. Hill.

Sargodha South—Miss Edna Ward, Miss Laura Reynolds.

Sheikhupura—Miss Mary R. Martin, Miss Maude Miller.

Sialkot—Miss Agnes Ballantyne, Miss M. Evelyn Cathcart (Jan. Feb. Oct.—).

Zafarwal—Miss Nancy A. Hadley, Miss Janet E. Nesbitt.

VILLAGE WORK AMONG NON-CHRISTIANS

While it is true that in all of our districts there are thousands of Hindus and Mohammedans to be evangelized, yet in our report we can name only a few districts whose missionaries give their time exclusively to this work. The region, which is essentially "non-Christian" is that which lies to the north, including Abbottabad, Campbellpur, Rawalpindi and Jhelum, called the Trans-Jhelum section, which is essentially Mohammedan. Pathankot might be included in the list of non-Christian districts, with its predominating element Hindu. If you will consult the map of the Punjab in the Prayer Cycle, you will see what a vast amount of territory may be designated "non-Christian."

Our missionaries who are working in the districts in the center of the Mission territory, are not able to devote as much time to evangelistic work as they would like to do, because of the pressure of work among Christians. Some of these districts have several thousand Christians scattered in the villages. One of the ladies in Zafarwal puts it, "There are ten times as many villages where there are no Christians as there are with Christian communities; yet we are not able to touch them." "In a village crowd in such districts, often there is, on the outskirts of a group of Christian women, a number of Hindu and Mohammedan women who nod their approval as they hear the questions and answers on the teaching about sin and salvation through Christ."

Even so, were it possible to total all the visits made to non-Christians by our missionaries during the past year, they would aggregate a grand total, with a great crowd of thousands of Hindu, Mohammedan and Sikh women who heard the message of truth. All of these faithful messengers testify that "the general reception among non-Christian women has been good," which we are happy to record. One from Rawalpindi district says that, when the people see them coming, they know their purpose and have come to look upon them as friends. "The message that Jesus is the only Savior and the Son of God is becoming known all over that district."

Six Mohammedan women were baptized in Abbottabad during the year.

The lady Missionary, in her work in Campbellpur district, was accompanied by the wife of one of their evangelists, both he and she converts from Mohammedanism. They visited his old home and were most cordially received by his cousin's people. In

another village, the wife made herself known to a woman who was a relative of her husband, but the woman only looked scornfully at her and said, "Just send your renegade husband to me and I'll give him a good shoe-beating." However, the other women were much interested in this "renegade's" wife and to their many curious questions she replied kindly, telling them why she had left the religion of her fathers. She had found salvation in Jesus, and was a living witness of what He has done for one from among them.

There are some exceptions to the general good reception, which are cited to show what the messengers must face at times. As one from Sargodha says, "At times we were given the 'cold shoulder', and once our audience scattered like sheep at the command of a Mohammedan man." In one village in Sangla Hill District, the missionary and Bible woman had just been seated in front of an old woman and two young ones, when through the door in the opposite side of the courtyard there entered a big, strong young man with a long stick, scolding the women for allowing them to enter. Behind him filed about fifteen others of various ages, some with sticks, some scolding. They surrounded the beds on which the messengers were seated and ordered them out in no uncertain terms. The missionary says that after attempting to say a few words, they obeyed orders. They went to another village, that same day, where they were so cordially received and the people loved them so, they found it hard to leave—a happy counterbalance to the previous experience!

Also, after listening in an interested way to the Message, one often hears such remarks as, "Everyone's religion is dear to him—ours is to us, as yours is to you." "We would not dare go against God by leaving the religion in which He has placed us." "Go—go quickly; we don't want to hear of your religion." "What you say is wonderful, but what Jesus does for you our prophet will do for us."

One summer morning early, the missionary and a Bible woman of Pathankot went out to a nearby village, and on entering, passed a shop whose keeper threateningly said, "Don't you go into any houses where you are not invited." Little did he know of the eagerness with which those spiritually hungry women, whom they met that day, listened to the sweet old story!

How often one hears, "Do come to our house too," "Every time you come to this village, come to our house," "These are good words; come again

ROMA B. BEATTY
Badomali

THERESA BROWNLEE
Badomali

RUTH I. ARDREY
Eminabad

soon and tell us more," "If you come only once a year, we forget between times; come often."

The ladies in Sargodha District were teaching a group of village Christians one day, when they received a call from the daughter-in-law of the head-man of the village. They had hardly been seated when she said, "Open your book and read." Before they left, she had them promise to visit her whenever they came to that village. Next time they went, she and some of her neighbors were reading the Koran, but they put it behind them, and turned to listen to our Book. It was marvellous that she agreed with so much that was said, but there was one point at which she stumbled, namely, that Christ is the only Savior. "For neither is there any other name under heaven that is given among men, wherein we must be saved."

Significant of the advance in literacy among the women of the Punjab, is the number of book-sales reported among them. During the past year, one after another reports having left the silent but powerful witness of Gospel portions in the hands of women and girls.

One of the young ladies of Sargodha District tells of a happy experience on Thanksgiving Day, when the two of them visited two villages, arriving home at the camp just in time for their Thanksgiving chicken dinner, "rejoicing over the sale of seventy Gospel portions. Thirty-eight little girls in a Sikh school eagerly bought, after hearing the story of Jesus." "Rarely a visit is made without selling a book."

In Sheikhupura, usually a woman who can read is a Sikh. "We have sold several portions to them. In the second village visited one day, we sold to a very attractive young woman, who seemed unusually promising. In another village, we found three women who could read, and they all bought hymn-books. They like very much the bright picture leaflets with a parable or miracle written below the picture, and ask for the story." (These leaflets are printed from the Milton Stewart Special.)

There have been about a thousand Scripture portions, hymns and pamphlets sold during the year in Sangla District and on railroad trains by the ladies of that district when travelling.

During her summer holiday, the Bible woman from Sialkot made a trip to Murree hill-station to visit her son. On the train, she met a woman who as a child had been her pupil. She asked her to sing some of the

FANNIE C. MARTIN
Gurdaspur

MARY E. LOGAN
Jhelum

GEORGIA WENGERT
Jhelum

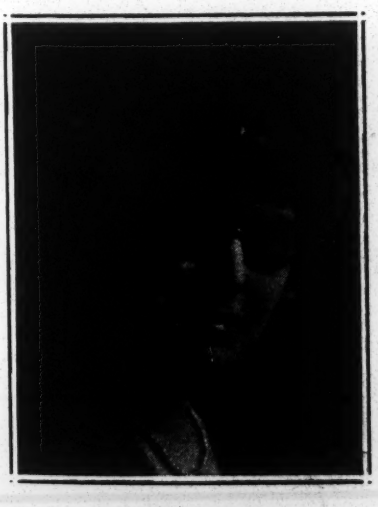
Psalms she had learned, mentioning three. They sang these and others, then the woman recited several Bible stories she had learned as a child. The other women passengers (in the "women's only" compartment) became quite interested and thirteen portions of the Gospel were sold or given, some buying, others accepting copies.

In some localities, Melas or semi-religious fairs are held yearly, which afford good opportunities for evangelistic work. People gather from great distances at these Melas and are ready to take an interest in every attraction. The noise and confusion render work very difficult, but, notwithstanding this fact, some splendid evangelistic work has been done, preaching to groups, mingling with the women in "personal work", and selling Scripture portions.

At a Mela in Pathankot District last spring, the missionaries and Bible woman sold 75 Scripture portions and gave a number of tracts. At another in the same district, the sales amounted to about 50 portions.

Is it worth while? We are prone to ask ourselves this question but no sooner is it asked than instances come to mind that prove an affirmative answer. Here is one from Jehlum. "We walked up and down the street in a certain village, and had been turned away from several doors by those who were either indifferent or hostile. Finally a woman seated us in her courtyard, but ignored our presence and declined to hear our message. Soon a sweet-faced, young Mohammedan woman came running in greeting us most cordially. She said, 'Don't you remember me? You sat in my house last year.' We went with her to her house and there truly found friends. Her aunt, a dear old blind woman, whom I have known for years, was there. When we had given the message, we were asked to sing the 51st Psalm. A number of the women, including the blind one, sang with us. As we were leaving, she assured us that she is trusting in the grace of Christ for salvation."

Also in Jhelum District: "At another place, we had been turned away from several doors. With a silent prayer for guidance, we entered a narrow alley and soon found ourselves opposite an open courtyard where several women were sitting in the sunshine spinning. We were kindly invited in and a bedstead was brought to provide seats for us. After a few remarks by way of getting acquainted, the story of the life and death of Jesus was told, and the great plan of salvation unfolded. I have



ESTHER MOYER
Lyallpur

MARGARET MURDOCH
Lyallpur

MARY KYLE
Pasrur

never seen more earnest listeners and the questions asked indicated that as much as was understood, the offered pardon was accepted. They were Hindus and asked us to sing. As I began a Psalm from memory, a woman who had not taken much part in the conversation, took it up and sang steadily through the six or eight verses.

Some thirty-six years ago in her childhood, she had spent a few months in the Mission school in Jhelum and had learned this Christian song from Miss Annie Given."

The Bible women in Gujranwala have been encouraged by two recent inquirers, who say that since they heard from them of Christ they have faith in Him alone. One said recently, "No matter what my family do to me, they can never take away what has come into my heart." As the missionary saw her radiant face from which restlessness and fear had gone, she knew she was telling the truth. Neither of these seekers has cared to read the Koran since the day these devoted Bible women told them of Jesus.

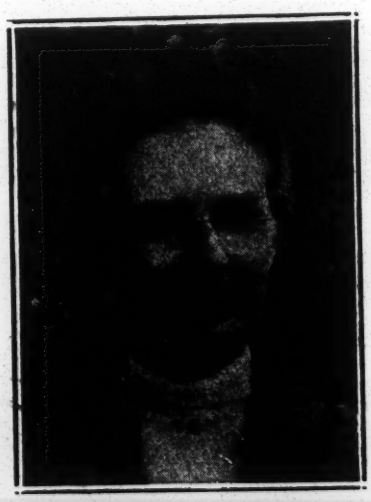
Recently, in their itinerary, the ladies of Gujranwala District found a village that had been missed in previous itineraries. They write, "At first the people were timid and we tried three times before we could find anyone to invite us in. As we told the beautiful Christmas story and what it meant to a lost world, one woman said, "Missahiba, what village did you say that little boy came to? Do you suppose He would come to our village?" It was so good to assure here that He was ever ready to come into her heart and abide there.

VILLAGE WORK AMONG CHRISTIANS

In Abbottabad mission district there are Christians in three large centers. Abbottabad city is the only one that has an organized congregation. The "Spiritual Life" conference, held there in September, was a time of great blessing. All of the Panjab mission stations, north of the Jhelum river, and all missions in the North West Frontier Province took part in it. More than one hundred Indian Christians were in attendance. The Abbottabad pastor holds regular monthly services at Haripur where an industrial plant is being carried on by an independant missionary and her assistants. At Mansehra the work is in the care of a European evangelist and his wife. The work has many needs, but the greatest is prayer.

Hasan Abdal is thirty-one miles from Campbellpur by railroad.

HELEN ARTMAN
Pasrur



HENRIETTA MOORE
Pathankot

MARY A. LAWRENCE
Rawalpindi

Among the little group of Christian women there, none can read, but the catechist's daughter is in the fifth class in school and it is hoped that she may soon become a leader for them. Their Thank-Offering was four rupees. Twenty-five miles from a railway station, which station is forty-six miles from Campbellpur, is Khaur. There the Christian women are doing very well. They meet every week for prayer and once a month hold their society meeting. Their evangelist organized the society. Their Thank-Offering amounted to four and a half rupees.

In Badomali district there are now very few out-caste people who are not baptized. The Christian women are growing spiritually year by year. They can understand a Gospel message much better than they could a few years ago. This year they have made an extra effort to learn Bible stories because they have been promised a certificate when they can recite fifteen. They now understand the meaning of the communion and baptismal services and show more reverence for them. During a recent service the pastor requested the congregation to keep their heads bowed in prayer. When he said, "Show forth the Lord's death till He come," one woman prayed, "May He not delay." It is pleasing to have the children remember the stories from year to year. One child remembered six of last year's lessons. It is still more encouraging to find the many who know stories taught them by their pastor and his wife. One day a little child, on being asked what she would do when Christ comes, said, "I will go quickly to Him and tell Him all the verses and stories I know and ask Him to teach me more."

In Gujranwala district this year there were more attentive, interested groups of Christians than formerly, and they showed a greater readiness to attend general meetings. Interest in the Thank-Offering is growing and bringing blessing. In one village there was great enthusiasm over the new junior and senior missionary societies recently organized. The Bible women are a great help in the work. On Thank-Offering day at Natt the mud building was crowded with joyful singing women. An American visitor, who was present, thought it must be something like the joy of a circus for drums, cymbals and other instruments of noise, or music were so in evidence, and the women much preferred singing to any quieter form of service. Their faces told of their joy as they brought forward their Thank-Offering, the equivelant of al-

LORENA TAYLOR
Sangla Hill

KATHRYN BEATTIE
Sangla Hill

EDNA WARD
Sargodha South

most six dollars. This was the record offering of the Gujranwala village societies.

In Gurdaspur district there are eight village missionary societies, and one in Gurdaspur city. The entire enrollment is 151 members. There are three village schools for girls, and in addition to these there are fifty-nine girls reading in boys' schools.

One first term missionary says, "Five miles out of Lyallpur is a village which was visited once a week during the summer, although the sun was scorching hot and the sand on the road was deep. But it was real joy to go there. After the second meeting in the little church there was no more need for us to impress upon those women and girls that God's house should be clean for service. They took great pleasure in sweeping the earthen floor each Tuesday morning. Our aim was to reach the village just as they were finishing their morning work. If we were delayed we were sure to hear music as we neared the village. Yes, fifteen or twenty women and girls had assembled and were singing Psalms. To us it was like real music. Many prayed earnestly that the Lord would cleanse their hearts. The missionary forgot that her clean dress was brown with dust. Did the effort pay? It did!" "At our last camp before Christmas we had good meetings each morning. The husbands of some of the women were away at work on a canal and the wives were counting the days until they would return for Christmas, as eagerly as any Americans would."

The Sialkot Presbyterial has made an effort to have the wives of elders take the same Bible examinations as their husbands. The oldest evangelist in Pasrur district was recently elected an elder, and the wife, who was unable to read, passed the three-year course and received her three certificates. Her husband was so proud of her accomplishment that he took the certificates around to his other villages to show what his wife had done and to interest other women in the examination. Another village woman likes to go to the presbyterial to get congratulations from her friends because of passing examinations. This year she thought she would pass whether she studied or not. Imagine her disgust when she failed! It was a bitter lesson, but she has begun working again and says she will pass in 1928. Another elder's wife was so pleased with the educated young women whom she saw in the presbyterial meetings, that she decided to send her little daughter, Sosan, to boarding school. The child was so eager to go, that when they missed the train, she insisted on walking the

LAURA REYNOLDS
Sargodha South

MAUDE M. MILLER
Sheikhupura

AGNES BALLANTYNE
Sialkot

entire eight miles to Pasrur. "She was in school only a month when she was taken ill. The illness did not seem serious, but suddenly before her mother could be called she went to Jesus. Mr. Campbell went for the parents . The father was not at home but the mother and two relatives came bringing a cot on which to lay the little body to take it back to the village. The mother was heart broken but was sustained by her faith in a loving Father and as they were starting away she turned back to comfort us. She thanked the principal for the good care her little one had received in school. The next day when we went to the village to the funeral she said, "Just as soon as Sosan's little sister is old enough she will go to school."

There are less than two hundred Christian women and girls scattered over Pathankot district. It cheers the hearts of the missionaries to find those who are loving and faithful. One little widow, whose brother and sister died during the year, though very poor and sad, seemed able to grasp the truth that God is Love. A young mother, who endeavors to keep her children clean and neat says they shall go to school when old enough. The quiet resignation of a mother whose two little ones died within fifteen days, was pathetic. It is the influence of their Christian mothers which keeps three young men from touching liquor in spite of the example of those about them. One young man said, "I cannot join in doing such things after having met Christ." Then there was the bright young girl who was ready to run away from home to get to boarding school. She was told she could not be sent without her parents consent, but was encouraged when she said she would refuse if she were asked to marry a drinking man. Some Christian women walked fifteen miles to condole with friends who were bereaved, but when idolatrous practices began, such as are customary among non-believers, they registered their protest by leaving the place. They spent the night in a near-by village and went home the next day. This required moral courage. Then there are fifteen girls in boarding school. If these all use their lives for Christ it will mean much for His Kingdom.

In Rawalpindi district one woman teaches the Christian girls of her village to read the Bible. The parents will not send them to school and always arrange for their marriage as soon as they are allowed by law to marry. These women and children

NANCY A. HADLEY
Zafarwal

JANET E. NESBITT
Zafarwal

give a Thank-Offering each year at the Presbyterial.

In North Sargodha, in a village where there is a large Christian community, an eight day Bible institute was held. The women were divided into four groups which met for forty-five minutes each morning. The interest was good and many of the women had a perfect attendance record. The course for village Christians was taught. Results were seen in the re-organized missionary society, attendance at Presbyterial, and in the yearly Thank-Offering. Three missionary societies have continued during the year. Nearly every village has given at least a small Thank-Offering. The women love the little brown Thank-Offering jug, and although not much work was done among them, the offering did not decrease. Seven little boys and girls are enrolled in a village school, and an increased number of girls have entered boarding school.

This year the missionaries of South Sargodha visited and taught 105 audiences of Christian women concerning their unsearchable riches in Christ. One girl, who was ill at the opening of the school year, met them in her village and they persuaded her father to let her return to school. It was noon when they reached the camp with the girl. They wrapped her in a sweater and blanket, and while she combed her hair, they washed her clothes which quickly dried in the wind. At three o'clock she was on the train and at four o'clock she was at school once more. "The power of the Word. Two women in a village had been quarreling and we decided to try the effect of teaching them God's Word. We sat alternately in the two courtyards and for some time made no reference to the trouble. Finally the Sword of the Spirit did its work and peace was restored and at our Sabbath School rally in July the two women attended together and in a friendly way decided about their offerings." One of the encouraging features of the work is the way the young people are realizing that they are not Christians just because their parents were, or because they were baptized in infancy. They are learning to emphasize the personal confession of faith in Christ.

In Sheikhupura, as in other places there are "ups and downs". Where there are "downs," either, evidently the people have not been converted, or there is known sin and the people are either condoning it, or quarreling among themselves. "In one village at the time of our visit, a girl, who not long ago was a keen learner, and taught the Bible course to her father and brother, was washing her clothes at the canal when we went to Sabbath service. I saw her face looked hardened, and later we learned that some of the Christians there had committed sin, her brother among them. When asked who had done it, she said she did not know.

Again there are agreeable surprises. There is a hamlet in this district to which it has been no pleasure to go. The Padri Sahib assured us that this year it was different. And it was. We found that the hard grim faced old woman, who had annually complained that we had 'not taken the sweepers basket from her head", was gone, and the young woman, influenced by new comers, had shown new interest and learned something. Some of the recent comers had learned the whole study course."

There are encouraging symptoms in Sangla Hill district. One woman, after realizing the presence of sin, prayed earnestly for a clean heart. There are some to whom as yet the visit of the missionary is only a break in the monotony of life. Some who say, "If God loved us, He would free us from this daily drudgery." Others say they cannot learn anything while their backs ache with sweepers work. Frequently comes the question, "What good did it do us to become Chris-

tians? Where is our land?" A few times during the summer the missionary spent the night in a village where an evangelist and his family live, sleeping on the house roof and eating with the family. Morning and evening worship was held with the Christians of the village, and their ills were doctored.

The Bible course used this past year in teaching the Christians in ninety-six villages of Sialkot district, consisted of twelve lessons from the life of Christ. The Summer Bible School was held on the mission compound. Thirty-three women were enrolled. The teaching and training given was to enable them to teach the Bible to the women of their villages. There are two village schools for girls, and twelve girls read in boys' schools. Eighteen additional girls entered Sialkot Boarding School, bringing the total for Sialkot district to fifty. Five were refused on account of lack of funds.

One of the most heartening things found in the Zafarwal villages is the enthusiasm of the women for singing. It is a pleasure to hear a crowd of women and girls singing Psalms to the Panjabi music, while the accompaniment is being beaten on a large flat drum, by a young woman with a baby in her lap and dozens of bracelets on her arms. "Primary education is one solution for some of our problems—selling in marriage being the chief—so we are glad for every little girl who has started to school."

"The year has been one of privilege and blessing as well as of disappointment and heart ache. There is still much to be desired in the progress the Church is making, but we often marvel at the lives and faith of many in the villages, considering the many hindrances they have and their few opportunities. As we look over last year's prayer cycle, we note that many prayers have been answered. A young man, just out of seminary, has been settled as pastor in Zafarwal city. In a village, a new self-supporting congregation has been organized and a young man is ready to be ordained as its pastor. We prayed for a house for our pastor, and the building is now almost finished. The young women who have been educated in our schools are a great help to us. They are learning to plan and carry out the work of the Presbyterial. One Bible woman, is doing excellent work in her village. She has a missionary society among the women and the whole atmosphere of the place has become changed. It is especially noticeable in Bible study and prayer."

CITY WORK

Campbellpur—Miss Ella M. Gordon.
Gujranwala—Misses Hazel Bennett and Ruth I. Ardrey.
Gurdaspur—Miss Fannie C. Martin.
Jhelum—Miss Mary E. Logan.
Lyallpur—Miss Louise Scott (Jan., Oct.) Miss Lillian A. McConnell (Nov. Dec.).
Pathankot—Misses Henrietta Moore and Laurella G. Dickson.
Rawal Pindi—Miss Josephine White.
Rawal Pindi Cantonments—Miss Mary A. Lawrence.
Sargodha—Miss Kate A. Hill.
Sheikhupura—Miss Mary R. Martin.
Sialkot—Miss Elizabeth McCahon.

The Bible woman in Campbellpur, who has been working for two and one-half years, has made many friends in the city and is respected wherever she goes. As she cheerfully and faithfully has been going into homes in the city during the year, she is able to report 848 women in 57 homes, to whom she has proclaimed the Glad News. Fifteen women have been reading the Scriptures with her regularly, two of these, daughters in the home of the College Principal,

having completed Luke and Genesis, are now studying John. They have also become interested in the W. M. S., contributing Rs. 2 per month for seven months, also the same amount for Thank-Offering. Some Hindu women have been attending mid-week prayer meeting with the Bible woman. She says that many acknowledge faith in Jesus as the only Savior but say "We are not free to make an open profession.' '

The Campbellpur W. M. S. has eleven members, with a yearly contribution of Rs. 55 and Thank-Offering Rs. 72. The women have made eight suits of clothes which they sent to the children in the Gurdaspur Home.

In the Zenana work in Gujranwala City, the District Missionaries and Bible women have helped as they could find time from their other work, and two Bible women have given their entire time to it. They have made 1590 visits during the year, and it is encouraging to see how many women turn to them for comfort and prayer in their behalf. The reverence and faith shown in houses where these messengers of Light are called in to pray, is amazing.

It is evident that many women really believe in Christ as their Savior, but haven't the courage to make open profession and pay the price. Pray for a dying Mohammedan girl who suffers from tuberculosis. Her mother realizes that physical strength cannot be hers and begs prayer for the girl's salvation, but hastily adds. "But Jesus Christ is only a prophet and not God's Son, as you say." Longing for salvation, but not through the Savior of the world.

With gratitude for her valuable service and life, we take this opportunity to acknowledge the great help that Miss Mukerjee has given during the past year and many past years, in Gujranwala City and District and in Sialkot District. She has also been a friend in times of special need and opportunity in other cities. Few are better known or more truly loved than she is throughout our Mission.

"A leading Sikh gentleman of Gurdaspur wished his wife and daughters to entertain at tea the wives of the English Officials and the wives of the prominent Hindus and Mohammedans of the city. He came and asked me to help in the plans for this great event. It was not possible for me to go, but I offered the services of my Bible woman. She helped with the preparing and serving of the tea, to some fifty guests. It is interesting

ELLA M. GORDON
Campbellpur

HAZEL BENNETT
Gujranwala

LAURELLA G. DICKSON
Pathankot

to note not only that a Christian woman was asked to do this, but that all castes were served at the same table and also that on the wall of the reception-room was a large beautiful oil-painting of Christ. He has a place in their hearts but not *the* place."

"Last May, I received a message from a respected and honorable gentleman of the city, asking me to call in his home. When I went, I was received by the whole family, all dressed in beautiful colors. The daughter-in-law sat in the room with her face uncovered before her father-in-law, which was a token that I was being received in the inner circle of the home. After some time, the father said, "I have a request to make of you. I want my daughter and daughter-in-law to become intimately acquainted with you". I replied, "I have had many requests made of me during the years that I have lived in India, but this is the first one of this nature." He explained that he wanted me to teach them the many things that I might see they needed to know. "But," I said, "you don't realize that I am a busy Missionary trying to teach the women and children scattered about in 700 villages." I glanced around the room and seeing their disappointed look, I could say no more. I also saw on the wall of that Hindu home that beautiful picture of Ruth refusing to leave her mother-in-law, while Orpah was returning to her old home. A voice seemed to say to me, "These are my friends. Have you no friendship for them?" I agreed to arrange an hour in the afternoons of May and June to visit them. When I arose to leave, the father said to me, "This is all left entirely in your hands."

A feature has been introduced among the women of Gurdaspur, including all religions, which they call, "Our Thrift Society." They meet once a month and have a lecture or demonstration on such subjects as the care of children, cleanliness, the kitchen, etc. Last month, the Organizing Secretary of the W. C. T. U. for the Punjab gave a helpful lecture.

The two Bible women have been in Jhelum many years and are well-known throughout the city. Along narrow alleys, that are far from sanitary, up steep, wearisome flights of stairs, into houses that are crowded and ill-ventilated, these faithful women go with their message of hope.

Often when a zenana-pupil has learned to love the Word and seems near the Kingdom, her husband is suddenly transferred or decides to change his residence, and pupil and teacher meet no more. This is a discouraging feature of the work, but it opens the way for greater release of faith and prayer.

Much faithful work is being done in Lyallpur city by the regular Bible woman. Also the manager of the girls' school tried to visit the homes of all the school girls and most of the homes in the vicinity of the school. Friendliness and willingness to hear were found in every home and in many cases a real eagerness.

One day in the street, a woman hurried towards the Missahiba with a smile, stooped down and touched her feet, saying, "When you are making your visits, won't you come to see us too?" Though it was a long walk on a scorching hot day, the Missahiba felt repaid for going with her, for she found a good crowd of earnest listeners. When she learned that her guide had attended a Mission school in South India and knew much about Christianity, she said, "It is too bad that, knowing so much, you still follow your idol-worship." She quickly replied, "No. I do not worship them. These women here will tell you that I never go to the temple. I believe on Jesus and worship Him in my home."

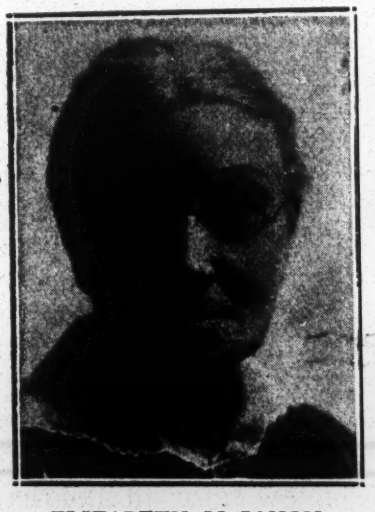
The past year has been one of special opportunity in Pathankot city, as the work on the new railroad line that is under construction has brought in

a number of workmen and their families from distant inaccessible places. At least some of the women were absolutely ignorant of the Good News. One had read up to College Entrance without having seen the Bible.

The three Bible women are very zealous, disregarding hunger, thirst and heat, while there is more to be done. In August, a serious epidemic of cholera broke out and no one would have asked them to venture into the city, even had it not been in vacation time. But they feared that some might be called to their final account without knowing the Way, so they continued visiting the sick, and sorrowing, and God marvellously shielded them from harm. A Mohammedan who had often listened as the women were being taught, was stricken with cholera and his mother said he refused to call on the prophet but died with the name of Christ on his lips.

During special Campaign Week last spring, the Missionary ladies, the Bible women and some volunteers went two and two into the city every day, after meeting in the pastor's home for prayer. They had the opportunity of speaking to many scores of women during that week. One day, as one of the teams was going down a side street, a woman motioned to them from her door and they went in and had a quiet talk with the three women there. On coming out, they heard a low voice calling from an upper window near by. They climbed the narrow little stairway leading up to her room. There they saw a woman sitting, rolled in a bed-quilt, on a miserable little bed near the window. This poor half-invalid could scarcely walk from her bed to the tiny cook-room and sit by the fire to do her work. In talking to her about Christ, the messengers learned that she knew about the Jewish people and she said she believed that Christ is the Son of God, but was surprised to hear that Mohammed is not mentioned in the Bible. She supposed he was at least on the same footing with the old prophets and patriarchs.

The force of Zenana Workers in Rawalpindi has been increased by the addition of a high-caste Hindu convert, wife of the Catechist in the Reading-room in the city. She is one who has always done what she could, and wished a salary only because of straitened circumstances. Their four children are all in school, and since our schools are not free, they are finding it difficult to feed, clothe and educate them all. Knowing all this, I said to her, "I will give you Rs. 20 per month, and you can do



ELIZABETH McCAHON
Sialkot

MARY R. MARTIN
Sangla Hill

HENRIETTA COWDEN
Sialkot

what you are able in your own neighborhood." She was very happy and said, "This is from the Lord. Grace and Ezra are starting to High School and their fees and books are expensive. Lois gets a scholarship of 1.25, but little Nehemiah must have fees and books too. Thanks for this help." She reports regularly teaching in 12 Hindu homes, one woman reading the New Testament in Hindi. Also, 8 Mohammedan homes are open to her, besides some work which she does among Christians.

There are two other Bible women working in the city, who give their time to work among Christians who toil in the brickyards, (a most difficult task this), and to teaching new converts, who may be residing in the city.

In Rawalpindi Cantonments, two Bible women conduct regular prayer meetings and teach Bible stories to Christian women in nine centers, and give instructions in 30 non-Christian homes in their regular rounds, besides visitations in other houses.

The W. M. S. meets monthly with a membership of 26, and some scattered members who contribute but cannot attend.

Many of the homes of Sargodha are open to the one Bible woman who has been laboring there. The Hospital has been a great door-opener in the city. Among the homes in which the boys are learning English there has been a demand for the English-Urdu edition of the Gospel of Matthew.

A number of women won pins for learning the ten Psalms. One Mohammedan girl in the city was persuaded to attend the Boarding School as a day-pupil.

Among the 375 Hindu women who came under the influence and teaching of the Bible woman in Shiekhupura, four are specially mentioned, because, when sickness came into the family, they left off their accustomed charms and prayed in Christ's name. Their prayers were answered and they showed their gratitude by giving the Bible woman a Thank-Offering.

The child of a Mohammedan woman there was ill, and the Bible woman urged the mother to pray to Jesus for healing. In order that her prayer be answered, she urged her to discard her charm which she was wearing and in which she was trusting for the safety of her family. She agreed, the charm was burned, and they gave themselves to prayer. By morning, the child had improved and made a complete recovery.

This Bible woman had 90 regular non-Christian pupils during the year, learning Bible stories and Psalms, while others listened, most of them regularly and with interest. The women urge her to visit them more often. The cry is for another faithful Bible woman, to go into the homes that are open and ready to listen to her story of Life.

A true report does not include the encouraging things only, but a few discouraging features, as well. One of the distressing ones is the failure of many professing Christians in fulfilling their vows with regard to the training of their children, in giving them an education, etc. One such instance is that of Hosaina of Hajipura, the section of Sialkot nearest the Mission Compound.

As a child, she was very eager to learn and for a time we were much encouraged by her progress. She would come to church and S. S. herself, but as she grew older, her mother sent her into Moslem homes to do the sweeper work, and even when Hosaina tried to learn knitting, her mother snatched the work from her and raveled it out.

Finally, she was married to a Roman Catholic, and now lives in a village where no Christian instruction is given. As I was talking with her recently when she was on a visit to her mother, I enjoined her not to pray to the virgin Mary, as that is idolatry. She replied "I don't do it. When they

tell me, I refuse." I hope she told me the truth.

Hosaina is only one of hundreds of our baptized children, who are being hindered by their parents from progressing. We give thanks for the hundreds who are receiving instruction, but cannot but grieve over the many more who should be in school.

One day, as the Bible woman stopped to greet a number of women gathered in a house, the mistress of the house received her cordially, then went into another room and brought a small glass of water. She presented it to her with the request that she drink it. The Bible woman thanked her but refused the water. She noticed that the visiting women looked surprised and asked the reason. She was told that it was water from the sacred well at Mecca, and that there was great benefit from drinking it. It had been brought from Mecca by the man of the house, who had recently returned from the pilgrimage. She opened her Bible and read to them the story of the Samaritan woman at Jacobs' well, pointing out to them how Jesus can give the Living Water, quenching spiritual thirst.

WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, GUJRANWALA

We have a class of twenty-five women this year. In March five graduated all receiving Certificates for having completed a course of Bible Study covering three years. These women have all done creditably in the study of assigned books of the Bible, as well as memorizing certain portions of Scripture, and the Shorter Catechism.

Our hope and prayer for these women as they go from us from time to time is that they may have received not only a fuller knowledge of the Word, but a greater love for, and closer fellowship with, the One by whose inspiration the Word was given —that they may be prepared to work side by side with their husbands in their appointed villages to "Tend the flock of God—according to the will of God."

(Mrs. H. J.) Olive Brown Stewart.

BASHIR-UN-NISWAN. 1927.

(Women's Magazine)

During the year the paper has had 354 subscribers, from whom Rs. 186-4- have been received. The cost of putting out the paper has been Rs. 266-4-. This means I have had to draw for the year's expenses, Rs. 114- from the Bank account given by the Synodical for a floating fund.

Expenditures

Printing	Rs	179-10-
Postage		49- 0-
Munshi		33- 0-
Miscellaneous		4-10-
Bal. in hand		232- 0-
		498- 4-

Receipts

Subscriptions	Rs.	186- 4-
In Bank		318- 0-
		498- 4-

(Mrs. R. R.) Belle Darrow Stewart.

REPORT OF THE HOME FOR WOMEN

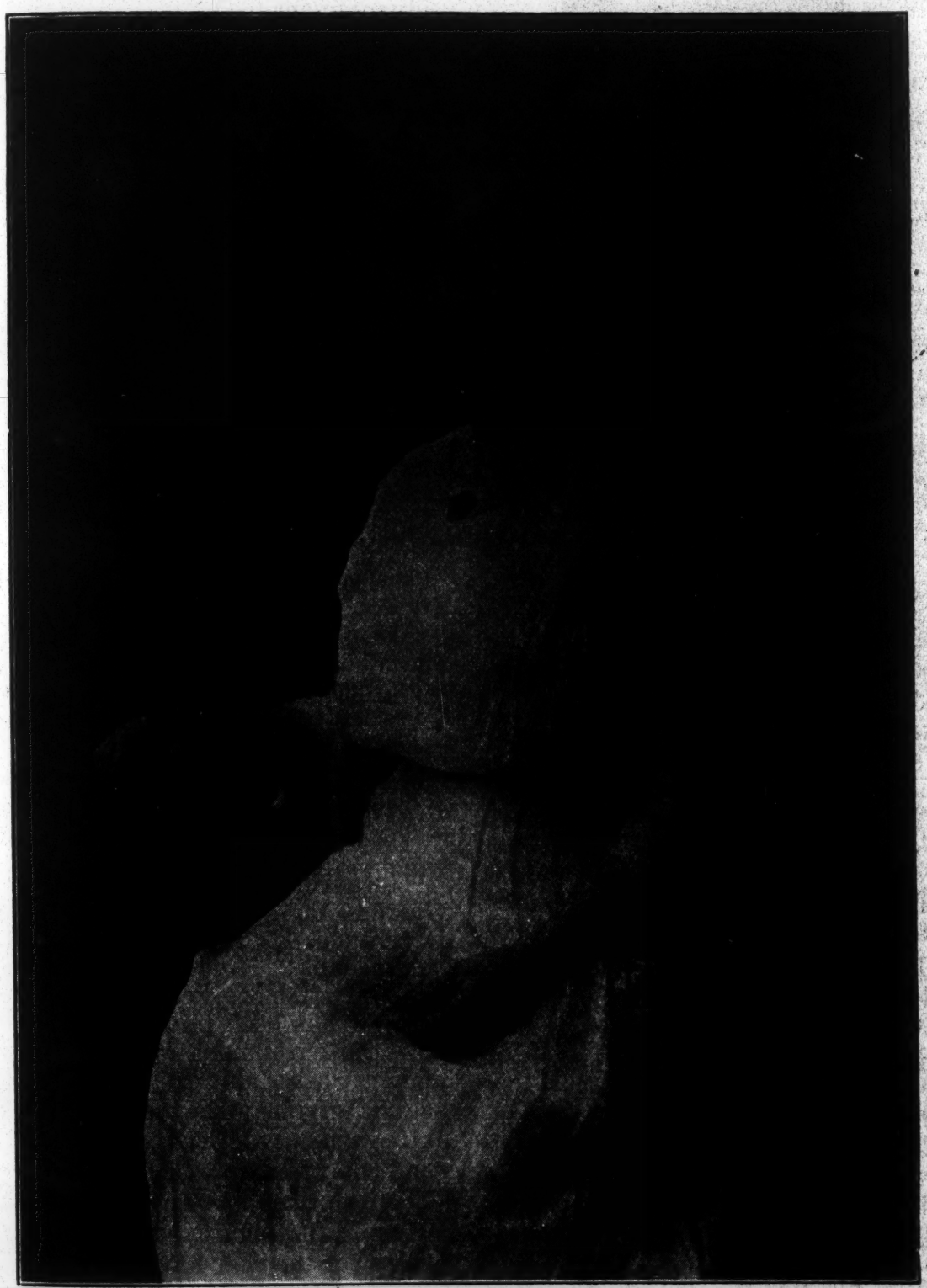
Several changes in the management of the Home occurred during the year. In March Miss Fehlman went on furlough and Miss Sara Moore came. In September Miss Kakku Bai, our efficient matron, who had given over ten years of faithful service, was married. We are glad she has her own home but we miss her here.

Mrs. J. H. Stewart, who was appointed by the Board of Directors, took our examinations the closing days of February. We quote from her report in the Log Book, "Excellent work has been done in Bible and other subjects, considering previous opportunities of the women."

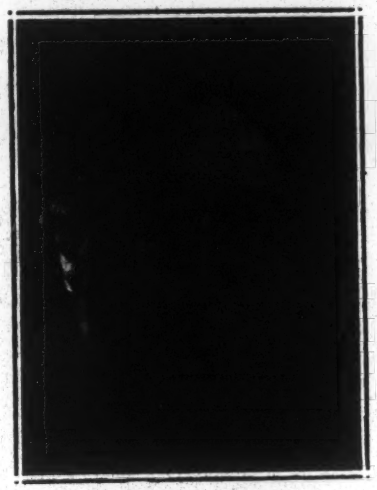
In March the Board of Directors made their annual visit to the Home and spent most of two days inspecting and conferring about the work.

Twenty-two of our children are now attending our boarding schools but return to us for two and one-half months during the summer vacation.

There have been sixty women and forty-five children cared for in the



EMMA DEAN ANDERSON
Gurdaspur, India



SARA A. MOORE
Gurdaspur

Home during the year. Four women were baptized and eight received into full membership in the Church.

In September, Miss Mary J. Campbell held four days of special meetings in the Home and was greatly used of God. Seven of our women attended the Sialkot Convention and received a spiritual uplift. The Prayer room has been a place of victory and there are many evidences of real spiritual advancement.

Several packages of children's garments have been received from America and from local Missionary Societies. We are thankful for these.

Although several times during the year our bank has been empty yet before there has been real need, money came from one source or another and we close the year with thankful hearts to our Heavenly Father who has supplied our needs and relying on His unchanging word of promise we go forward.

Emma Dean Anderson.
Sara A. Moore.

EDUCATIONAL WORK

Missionary Personnel

Avalon High School—Miss Josephine Martin, Miss Willa Ramsey (Mar. on furlough), Miss Evelyn Cathcart (Mar. to Oct.), Miss Vida Graham (Oct.—) .

Middle Schools:

Sialkot Boarding School—Miss Lois Buchanan, Miss Lois Boyd.

Sangla Hill Boarding School—Miss Flora J. Jamison, Miss Jean Black, (Mar. on furlough), Miss Margaret Murdoch (Mar. to Oct.), Miss Gertrude Zink, (Oct—).

Pasrur Boarding School—Miss Dora B. Whitely, Miss Evelyn Tromans.

Jehlum Middle School—Mrs. A. B. Caldwell.

Gujranwala Middle School—Miss Ruth Ardry (Oct.), Miss Louise Scott.

Rawalpindi Middle School—Miss Josephine White.

Dhariwal Middle School—Miss Fannie Martin.

Primary Schools.

Sargodha Boarding School—Miss Kate Spencer.

Lyallpur City School—Miss Louise Scott (to Oct.), Miss Lillian McConnell.

Abbottabad City School—Miss Jean Morrison.

Martinpur Girls' School— Miss Flora J. Jamison.

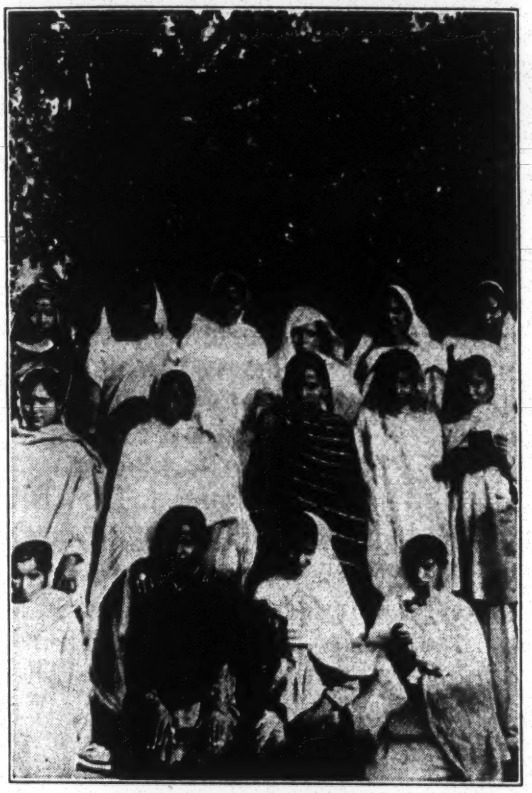
Sheikhupura School—Miss Mary R. Martin.

Sialkot City School—Miss Lois Boyd.

MIDDLE SCHOOLS

The enrollment for the past year in Gujranwala was eighty; with 39 Christians, 23 Hindus, and 18 Mohammedans. Hindu, Mohammedan, and Christian worked and played as one. It has been interesting to note how the enrollment falls off in the higher classes due to the sentiment against giving girls the freedom required when reading is continued beyond the fourth and fifth classes. The first class has an enrollment of 38 while the eighth has 2. The expenses for the year have been slightly over $1000 of which $450 has been supplied by Government Grant.

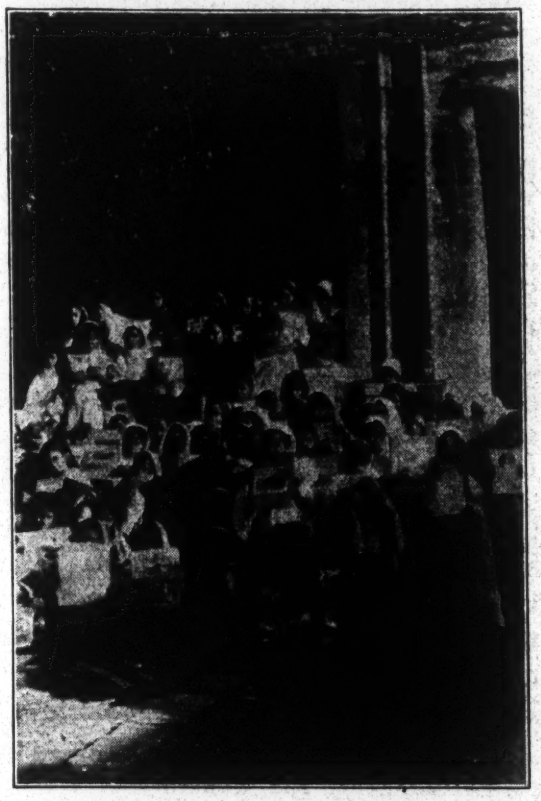
The staff is composed of five Christians and one Hindu. This is not a large staff to teach the first eight classes in which Hindi, Gurmukhi, Urdu and Persian are studied. The need of inserting English is great if the school is to hold its own with other schools of the city.



Teachers (top row) and girls of the Girls' Middle School, Gujranwala.

One of the most satisfactory parts of the year's work has been the systematic effort made to call at each girl's home. The friendliness toward the visitor and the preparedness for the Gospel message has been so striking that it has been felt that the girls were carrying light into their darkened homes. An old Hindu woman, employed by the school to see the girls safely through the city streets on their way to and from school, begged that no call be made at the home of a girl belonging to the highest Hindu caste. She insisted if Christ were mentioned in the home the girl would never be allowed to return to school. Disregarding her entreaties, the visitor was delighted to find the mother ready to listen.

The school at Dhariwal has been a great joy and has been blessed in both temporal and spiritual things.



GUJRANWALA GIRLS' SCHOOL

School girls with their Christmas picture books given by Mercer Presbyterial.

A good building and teachers' quarters have been given by the Dhariwal Woolen Mills. They have also pledged support and have stated their desire that this school might grow into a High School.

Jhelum has had three trained teachers during the year. One more is needed to satisfy the demands of the Government, as well as to arrange for time for the Bible teacher to assist the manager in visiting the homes of the girls for a few hours each day to get acquainted with the mothers and neighbors.

The one eighth class girl after having passed the examination went to Kinnard High School in Lahore to continue her studies. The Government Examination was held in the

Mission building last year and the offer of the building has been accepted for the coming year. In past years girls have been taken out of school before completing the eighth class because their parents did not wish them to go elsewhere to take the examination.

The Bible lessons regularly taught have been enjoyed by all. The little girls are always anxious to recite verses at every opportunity. The highest enrollment for the year was one hundred. Some Hindus, a few Sikhs, many Mohammedans, and a few Christians are on the roll.

The staff of Rawalpindi School is composed of eight teachers, six of whom have had some special training. Day by day a marked change in the school is not so noticeable, but in taking a retrospection of two years the addition of Algebra, Geometry, and Persian to the curriculum is noted as well as the gradual increase in enrollment from 125 in 1925 to 166 in 1927.

Although the children come from every class, by far the majority come from Moslem families. There are 100 Mohammedan girls in school, 37 Christians, 17 Hindus, and 7 Sikhs. In past times many girls have been taken out of the third year to be married but this year closed with 19 in the third class and 9 in the fourth class. With the exception of the seventh there are Christian girls in every class. Of the three girls who have gone on to Government High School, one is a Christian.

The interest in the education of girls continues, and there are some large girls in the first class. Two girls taken out to be married in the eighth year have come back hoping that they can pass the eighth class examination later.

Last summer a Christian teacher trained in the school started a Junior Society among the Christian pupils. They learned verses and Bible stories, especially enjoying having their own society. They raised over seventeen rupees which were added to the Junior Thank-Offering. The Bible has been carefully taught in every class in school.

The Pasrur Girls' Boarding School has had many reasons for Thanksgiving during the past year. There have been one hundred and fifty boarders and twenty-one day pupils enrolled. On the whole the health of the girls has been good. Last spring one little girl died. She was a new girl, having been in school only six weeks and was the first from her village to attend school. Fear was felt that her death would make her parents bitter, but the mother bravely

EVELYN CATHCART
Avalon High School

LOIS BUCHANAN
Sialkot Boarding School

JOSEPHINE MARTIN
Avalon High School

promised to send her next daughter as soon as she was old enough.

There has been a full staff of eleven teachers, all Normal trained except one. In the Government eighth class examination only one girl failed. The members of the class deserve great commendation, having worked for two months by themselves during the illness of their teacher before they were placed in charge of another.

Twenty-six girls have made a profession of their faith and united with the church during the year. This has given great joy to those in charge.

The return of Miss Whitely caused great rejoicing in the school. She was given a welcome worthy of the King Emporer himself. Even the new girls looked forward with great anticipation to her coming because they had heard so much about her and had heard the others pray for her.

The Sangla Hill School at the close of 1927 numbered 160 girls. It has been encouraging to have several return who were not in school last year on account of lack of fees. Eleven girls entered the Government Examination for the eighth class in February. All passed. Of these, five have entered the Normal class in Sialkot, three have gone for hospital training, two have gone to Pathankot to study English, and one has remained at home.

There is cause for thanksgiving in that two girls who have been ill with pneumonia are ready for work again since Christmas. One of the big problems is measures for relief from the prevalency of malarial fever.

The cottages and open air class rooms, so praised by government officials, continue to attract visitors. As a result word comes from the M. E. Mission of buildings patterned after these.

The best Thank-Offering meeting in the history of the school was held in December. There have been larger offerings, but there never has been a meeting in which so many expressed their gratitude for the many blessings during the year. One girl who was very ill with pneumonia said that morning that she must have a Thank-Offering. How happy she was when her father came that day and, because of the gratitude in his heart that she would get well, gave her a rupee. (33c). She sent all of it to the meeting saying, "The Lord with great difficulty has restored me." The offering was $36.33.

The school had the pleasure of entertaining the Punjab W. C. T. U. Convention in December. The work of the Sabbath School, Christian En-

FLORA J. JAMISON
Sangla Hill Boarding School

DORA B. WHITELY
Passrur Boarding School

GERTRUDE ZINK
Sangla Hill Boarding School

deavor, Temperance Society, Junior and Young Ladies' Societies continues as before and in many of these the interest seems to increase. The offerings from these are sent to worthy objects as decided by the different societies.

The school day contains a variety of activities. Some of the interesting and varied questions asked by the teachers are as follows: "How is glass made?" "Do you have any pictures of animals of Africa?" or "Any pictures of the Wall of China?" or "Any pictures of a waterfall, especially Niagara Falls?" Again it may be, "We want some seeds to plant in pots in our classroom for Nature Study, please." (The Urdu for please is, "mihrbani karke"—rather more complicated than our word but the teachers always remember to say it and so do the girls who have been in Sangla very long,) Another day it is, "Please come out to the garden and see the bird's nest we have found." This is from the Second Nature Study Class who are outside for their lesson.

A larger family of girls has gathered in the Sialkot Girls' Boarding School during the past year than in the previous one and still the waiting list is large. One hundred and sixty is the average in the boarding department, while the day pupils number about twenty .

As visitors come, especially from among the Indian women, the comments are most interesting, as they see the great groups of happy faces and the cleanliness—much in contrast to many of their own homes! Our service for them will not be in vain, if the girls who have this opportunity of reading in the schools carry the spirit of Christ and their training into the homes of the Punjab.

The Normal Classes, with their twenty-four girls, have done very good work under the direction of the Head Mistress, who came to the school during the year, after finishing her work for the Bachelor Trained degree. As she is a daughter of the Mission, a former pupil of this school and of Avalon, and a teacher in Avalon, she has high ideals for the school and will be a great asset. Her coming and the coming of the best primary teacher from Sangla Hill School, who has been lent to Sialkot, has strengthened the staff very materially. Thirteen young Indian women are teachers in the school.

The past year brought many little beginners into the school family. Their interest in their new life and work is fascinating. Two of these are

LOUISE SCOTT
Gujranwala Middle School

JOSEPHINE WHITE
Rawalpindi Middle School

KATE SPENCER
Sargodha Boarding School

the daughters of a Mohammedan convert who is very happy in having his motherless girls in school. Vacation time came after they had been with us only a few months, so they returned to their father and entertained him with stories of their new experiences. It was at that time that the neighbors made life very miserable for the little family by opposition of various kinds. The father in telling of it later, said that he was so discouraged, that he prayed that his enemies might be destroyed or severely punished. After he had finished, the smaller of the sisters looked up and said, "Why father, that isn't the way we learned to pray in school. Let me pray." Then she prayed that their enemies might be blessed and might learn to know Jesus. The father said that he wept all night as he thought of his little girls leading him to realize his lack of love and faith.

"The teachers all have the interest of the girls at heart and much of the good work in the school is due to their untiring efforts. Thanks should be given to God for them." This quotation from one report is true for every school. All also join in asking for prayer for the girls that they may accept Christ as their personal Saviour and that all may be used in making Christian homes to glorify God in the Punjab.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS

The enrollment of the Sargodha Girls' Boarding School has grown from 89 to 120, 101 of whom are boarders. Seven teachers are employed and six of these have been trained in the Normal Department of our Sialkot Girls' Boarding School. Four of these girls are from Sargodha District and all have taken a keen interest in the progress of the school. The entire staff attended the Punjab Educational Conference and displayed an exhibit of school work that received commendation in the report of the judges.

The four cottages have been comfortably filled and all the teachers' rooms occupied. The hospital room has proved a great convenience in caring for the sick girls, and the installation of the city water has lightened many cares. Class-rooms and an assembly hall are much needed, as there is no room large enough to seat the whole school comfortably. A concrete platform has been built in the court yard, which provides ample open air seating space. This was undertaken on the project plan. The girls collected all the refuse brick left from the building of the large

JEAN MORRISON
Abbottabad City School

LILLIAN McCONNELL
Lyallpur City School

LOIS BOYD
Sialkot City School

buildings and, with the assistance of a mason and a few day laborers, a very fine platform resulted. The first meeting of importance to be held there was a Christmas program. All the parents were invited. The Deputy Commissioner was present on that occasion and presented the school with fifty rupees, as a present from Lady Hailey, wife of the Governor of the Punjab.

The school girls attend the church in the city on Sabbaths. During the year 17 girls united with the church. Sabbath School is held at the school. The girls earned and contributed eighty rupees for the church building fund. By common consent they did without meat once a month in order to give the price to the Home Mission Fund. (Meat is served only three times a week.) The school is growing in popular favor and the Christian community is coming to appreciate the educational advantages the Mission is offering to their girls.

The Sialkot City School has had a hard time to maintain its existence the past year. The Ahmadiya Mohammedans opened up a primary school for girls about a block away and took a number of our little girls. Then the Government opened a girls' high school on the other side and gave free tuition the first year and an opportunity to learn English, so a number from the upper classes were lost. Then in October the Municipal Board Middle School for girls was moved to a building within a stone's throw of the Mission School. But the school is still being carried on, because it is felt that it is indeed worth while to daily touch forty of the homes of this bigoted old city of Sialkot with the Gospel.

There are more than 60 names on the roll and a very good average attendance. The parents still maintain a friendly attitude. Of this you would have been convinced if you had seen the assembly room on the Friday before Christmas, and the appreciation of the simple program which was presented. There were no gifts this year—only a little bag of cheap candy for each. Every child, however, brought a little offering to send to the boys and girls in the Blind School at Rajpur and all went home rejoicing in the thought that they had given something to make others happy.

The City School in Abbottabad has illustrated that "a little child shall lead them". Communal unrest, riots and murders, have led to stress being laid on love and unity. In the school there are Brahmins, Hindus, Sikhs,

EVELYN TROMANS
Pasrur Boarding School

VIDA GRAHAM
Avalon High School

Mohammedans, two Christian children, originally from a high caste, and two Christians of outstanding ability from the sweeper caste. At a tea party given to the school a table was spread in the garden, where all who wished could partake of the refreshments. *All* the children drank tea and ate cakes, and caste was forgotten. A Brahmin was noticed with her arm around a little sweeper Christian, earnestly explaining some point of interest. The Mission school has a place, and has accomplished something that no other school in Abbottabad has attempted. A few days before in a Government Girls' School, the Sikhs and Sanatan Dharm girls had had serious trouble that extended to the men and women of these sects. The children in the Mission School are so happy and busy with their lessons and play, that they have no time to think of caste questions. Even the little that they know of Jesus and His love means "More abundant life" in every day things.

In Badomali District out of the Christian community of 7000, only about 15 women are able to read, but the number of girls in school is increasing. There are 42 from this district in Boarding Schools, and about as many in village schools. Besides the Christians reading in the villages, there are about twenty Hindu and Mohammedan women being taught the Bible as well as being taught to read.

The Natt school in Gujranwala is doing well, but not many Christian girls are enrolled. The Mohammedan girls are much interested in and love the Bible stories even more than their other subjects. They did well both in the Bible examination and in the Government inspection. At a meeting held in the village the Christian women were reticent about telling the Bible stories. It was a school holiday, and the Mohammedan girls came to the meeting. They took up the story telling and did it so eagerly that the women were anxious to learn them too.

Haunsi Basti School, Gujranwala, after their Christmas Jolsa with their picture books from Mercer Presbyterial. The teacher to the right and the caller to the left.

In the early part of the year, the enrollment in the Lyallpur City School was more than a hundred, but at the close it was eighty-six. The fifth class has kept only eight of its fifteen girls to the end of the year; two left to be married soon; one moved to another city; and another dropped out on account of illness.

The Word of God reaches the mothers, not only through the girls, but frequently the mothers visit the school and stay for the chapel hour and attend one of the Bible classes. One Mohammedan woman before her death said that she wanted her youngest daughter to finish the work in the Mission school.

The morning that the teachers and pupils were expecting the Government Inspectress on her annual visit, the missionary stepped quietly into

the fifth class-room. Their teacher was busy elsewhere. The girls were seated in a circle on the floor, all heads were bowed, and one girl was standing and leading in prayer. One after another arose and prayed. "I know God hears my prayer when I pray in the name of Jesus," is the frequent testimony of the girls.

One of these girls had looked forward to this examination with mingled emotions of dread and anticipation, for her father had promised that if she got through he would allow her to go to a Christian Boarding School. She set her heart on passing, for this had been her great desire for many months. Her mother also was anxious for her to go for she, too, was very near the Kingdom. Then when her clothes were all ready, and permission to enter had been received from the boarding school, the old Mohammedan father said, "You may not go." The missionary hearing this and not wishing to give up without a struggle, jumped on her bicycle, and with some fear and trembling went down to see if she could induce the old man to change his mind. After some preliminary discussion of the subject the conversation went something like this, "But you promised your daughter that you would let her go if she passed her examination." "Oh yes, I know, but that was to make her study. She was getting careless." "So you believe in telling lies, do you?" "No. Besides that was not a lie, that was just to make her work." And with several other such remarks, it was apparent that no change of mind was to be hoped for, so the missionary left defeated. But "He will not fail nor be discouraged till He hath set justice in the earth," even among those who know so little of truth and justice. God's plan is still being carried out, in spite of apparent defeat, in the hearts and lives of the girls in the Lyallpur school, who have learned to know and love Christ, and to pray in His name.

JANE DENHAM SCHOOL, MARTINPUR

The most important event in the year's work in the Girls' School in Martinpur occurred last May, when several hundred men, women, and children gathered in front of the school to witness the opening of the new building, which had been given by Mrs. W. L. Taylor in memory of her sister, Miss Jane Denham. The occasion was worthy of a larger representation from the Mission, but on account of the great heat and lack of accommodation, but few could be

present. Rev. S. C. Picken, the builder, presided. Miss E. J. Martin spoke concerning the early days of Martinpur, named in honor of her father, and of the work of her sister, Miss Jane Martin, who had for many years labored in the Mission District in which Martinpur is. After an interesting program by the children themselves, Miss Kate Hill, followed by the whole company, went to the front entrance and unlocked the door by use of a silver key, and declared the building open. Through this door all passed to see the new class-rooms, seven in number, which when compared with the former building of two rooms, seemed to them, and to us, very fine indeed.

Christmas brought joy again, for from the gifts sent out to Sangla Hill surprises were furnished for Martinpur as well. Would that you could have seen the joy caused by the gifts from the Lord's messengers in America! Your hearts would be filled with praise and gratitude to the Heavenly Father for the privilege of giving.

The Girls' School in Bubak, Pasrur District, was started by an old Mohammedan maulvi (religious teacher). He had taught in the boys' school for forty years, and the school was held in his home. In reality the

Sangla Hill Boarding School Girls picking cotton from the cotton field belonging to the school.

Because of more room, and more girls desiring to enter school, a new teacher was engaged. This teacher is a girl from Martinpur, who has finished her high school work in the Avalon School.

At the beginning of January, 1927, there were 69 pupils enrolled, while at the close of December there were 98. The largest number enrolled in the history of the school was 108 during the summer of 1927. The Bible examinations are held by the Women's Educational Board of the Mission, and in some of the classes, at the last examination, there was marked improvement shown.

teaching was done by his daughter-in-law, and was far from satisfactory. The Bible teaching was in charge of the pastor's wife. In 1926 the pastor's sister, a Normal trained teacher, came to the school and much progress is being shown.

At the close of the year 40 girls were enrolled in the Kalaswala school Pasrur District. The school has done well despite the fact that the teacher was away for two months on sick leave. She came back to the work

after the two months knowing that little could be done for her. The peace of the Lord is in her heart, and the quiet strength and courage with

Removing seeds from cotton by crude machines such as are used by the village women. The girl is a Sangla Hill School Girl removing seeds from cotton raised on School Compound.

which she meets each day cause all to marvel. The Government inspectress was well pleased with her work, and even though the required attendances were not the full number, the grant-in-aid was continued. Please pray that a second teacher, much needed, may be found.

In Sangla Hill District the proposition of having girls' schools seems to be an unstable one. One teacher has taught for several years, but the girls have been taken out to work or have dropped out, until there is only one girl left, but thirteen small Christian boys come regularly. These boys are learning Bible stories, which they would not do in a Government school and probably not more than a fourth of these would go to school, if this one were closed, for their clothes are very poor, and no one enjoys being laughed at.

Another school was started by the wife of a Christian teacher. The first month the work was satisfactory, the second not so much so because of the wheat harvest. A Mission worker's wife has started another school. The first month has been decidedly satisfactory. The system of paying according to the number of pages learned by the pupils has been started. This at least will bring more results for the amount of money expended.

The attendance at the Sheikhupura school has been increasing for the last eight months. This increase in attendance and interest is largely due to the teacher, who is ambitious for the school, and has a great sympathy for her pupils. She visits those who for any reason are absent. Recently another trained teacher has been employed. There will now be more time for the Bible classes and the first teacher is a capable and enthusiastic Bible teacher.

MEDICAL WORK

Missionary Personnel

Memorial Hospital, Sialkot—Miss Reba Hunsberger, M. D.; Miss Faith Reed, M. D. (three months); Miss Emma Stauffer, R. N. Miss Edith Pratt, R. N., (Oct.—); Miss Florence Jones, R. N. (Dec.—).

Good Samaritan Hospital, Jhelum—Miss Jessie P. Simpson, M. D.; Miss Eva Hartig, R. N.

White Memorial Hospital, Pasrur—Miss Maria White, M. D.; Miss Viola Nourse, R. N., (to Oct.); Miss Flora Hormel, R. N., (Oct.—).

Mary B. Reid Memorial Hospital, Sargodha—Miss Kate Hill, (to Oct.); Miss Frances Lincoln, R. N., (Oct.—).

Bhera Dispensary, Bhera—Miss Jessie P. Simpson, M. D.

Elliott Dispensary, Pathankot—Miss Flora Hormel, R. N., (to Oct.); Miss Eleanor W. Maconachie, R. N., (Oct.—).

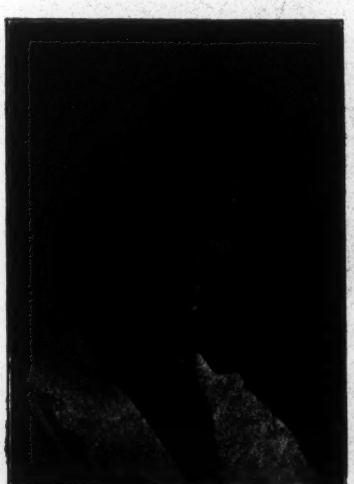
MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, SIALKOT

The year 1927 in the Memorial Hospital, Sialkot, has not been very remarkable for any one thing but the work has been going steadily on and the Word has been faithfully preached. Never before have so many come to the Hospital for real, definite teaching as have come this year. Some 57476 are registered as having had treatment at the Dispensary and every one of these had one or more messages from the Word of God. More copies and portions have been sold and these are hidden around here and there and many are taken out from time to time and read. God's Word shall not return unto Him void.

The Hospital is a very, very busy place and one of the busiest and most interesting rooms is the waiting room where the women sit until their turns come to see the doctor. It is a bare room with just a matting on the floor and in one corner a low chair where the Bible woman sits. On cold days a little fire in the stove sends a cheerful glow into the shadows and lights up the faces of the women sitting on the floor. Old and young, rich and poor, educated and uneducated, of many religions and castes sit there together and listen to the Gospel message. There are records which tell of thousands of patients treated and of hundreds of operations but there is no record of the lives saved from a spiritual death nor of the hearts healed, but in that great day when all is revealed this record will also be revealed, many will rejoice, and this humble little room will receive more honor.

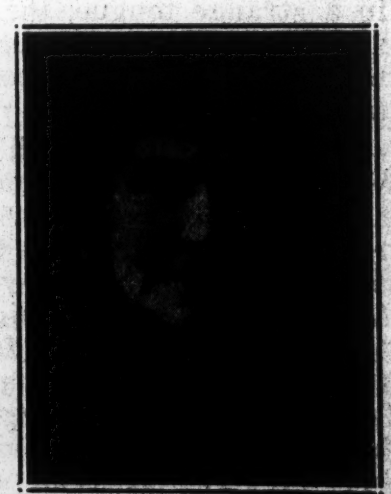
Three Mohammedans have been converted here this year and one has been baptized. One of these has not yet fully disclosed the fact of her trust in the Savior to her mother-in-law and to the other members of the family, but she is openly friendly to us and to our teaching before them. Were she to tell them that she was a Christian, she would be set out in the street homeless, penniless, and dishonored. She has a big price to pay. Pray for her that she may fully come into her own and be able to rejoice openly in her new joy in Christ. She reads her Bible at night when the rest are asleep.

Last winter during the epidemic of a severe type of influenza at the Christian, she would be sent out in the Patthar, one of the dormitories was turned into a temporary hospital and Dr. Hunsberger, Miss Stauffer, and native staff battled with the disease



DR. REBA C. HUNSBERGER
Sialkot

DR. FAITH W. REED
Sialkot



EMMA M. STAUFFER, R. N.
Sialkot

for about a month. The task of caring for the boys there and of carrying on the work in the hospital at the same time was a heavy one but the faithful fervent prayer doth avail much for those who seek His help. Notwithstanding the daily contact with the influenza patients and the weariness, none of the staff contracted the disease and at the close of the month the improvised hospital was closed and school work was carried on as usual.

SIALKOT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

It was night. The door to the Indian house opened and the figure of a white woman could be seen in the light from the door-way. With her lantern, she stepped onto the dark veranda. A black man, a white cloak wrapped about his head and shoulders, stepped out of the shadow and went ahead through the gate, which swung on rusty hinges. Both figures stopped before an oriental "needle's eye", a tiny door within a large wooden spliced door. The iron key rattled in the clumsy Indian padlock; the man salaamed and stood aside as the Doctor stooped and went inside.

The inner Hospital court was silent under the multitude of stars. Far away could be heard the chant of a Mohammedan prayer. Nearby, just beyond the high Hospital wall, were the bazaar noises, low guttural sounds in a strange tongue, the barking of stray dogs, which the Hindus refuse to kill thereby hoping to gain merit in heaven.

The white figure with the lantern went through the colonnade of Indian arches into the purdah court, surrounded on four sides by pillared porches forming a court-yard where a Mohammedan woman might take off the covering from her face without fear of being seen by man. Here in front of a pile of charts beside another lantern, sat a young girl wearing a blue gingham dress, a white apron and a long white triangular nurse's cap—the night nurse, as Dr. Hunsberger came to the table to look over the temperature charts. Two lanterns and two figures could then be seen behind the porch pillars, going from bed to bed.

They stopped before old Mohammedan Bidi, who had come from a far-away village for a much needed operation. Ten huge silver ear-rings, some as large as a bracelet, hung from each ear; her black eyes snapped and a toothless smile smoothed out the many wrinkles from her face as the figure stopped before her bed and a voice asked whether she was sleeping well.

On the lights went, pausing at the bed-side of many another Mohammedan wife or mother. But it is not only Mohammedan women who are touched by the Hospital. Not long

JAIN PRIESTESSES

before, two women had been brought in by a former patient. They were priestesses of the Jain sect and wore long white flowing robes with a white cloth over their heads to cover the

few gray hairs which they had not yet pulled out with their hands. The greatest sin which they could commit was to injure any form of animal life. To avoid this they would not step on our dispensary matting, lest some insect might be underneath, nor on the grass of the court-yard. Tied onto the waist was a white dust mop with which they brushed the ground before stepping. Over their mouths were masks, much like a surgeon's operative mask, to prevent accidentally breathing in an insect and thus killing it. They had no money, but wrapped in a white cloth was a brass vessel into which to put food which had been given them. They requested that all their medicines be ordered for the daytime as they could not eat or drink after sundown.

PATIENT FROM PESHAWAR

Again there was the little Afghan mother from Peshawar with her black dress and very full flowing skirt. The sleeves had a border of red braid and across the front was a breastplate of many silver coins. Her hair was braided into hundreds of tiny braids which hung over her shoulders. Dr. Hunsberger asked her questions in the little Pushtu that she had learned while working with the Northern tribes last summer.

Or again it was the wealthy Hindu mother with her small daughter whom Dr. Hunsberger had cured of amoebic dysentery, in what seemed to them such a miraculous way. The year had just closed with a gift from the grand-father of this little girl, of the corner to the new Hospital land—a gift in gratitude for the work of the Hospital for the people of Sialkot.

Thus has ended another year of service in the old Memorial Hospital buildings, which are so much more attractive at night, when the dim shadows of the lantern hide the blemishes on the whitewashed walls and the uneven brick floors, and when the darkness hides the windows through which the sunshine cannot find its way.

We are looking forward to the new hospital which we hope can soon be built on our new land, where the patients receiving treatment for their bodies and light for their souls may lift up their eyes to the snow capped Himalayas. We ask for your prayers.

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
SIALKOT, INDIA

Number of Doctors	1
Number of Nurses	1
Number of Indian Nurses	9
Number of Indian Assistants	8
Missionary Evangelist	1
In-patients	713
Major operations	215
Minor operations	1041
Abdominal obstetrical cases	22
Dispensary patients	14056
Dispensary visits	57460

Religions

Mohammedans	9842
Hindus	1529
Christians and others	3264

Results

Cured	402
Relieved	241
Otherwise discharged	56
Deaths	14

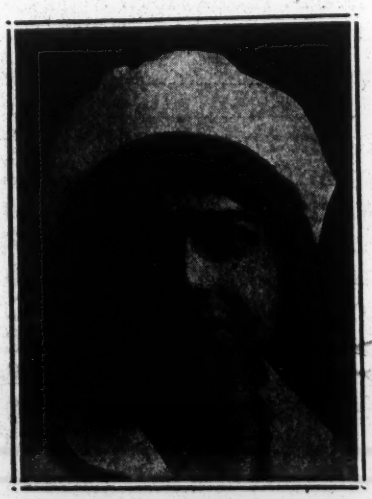
STATISTICS

Good Samaritan Hospital, Jhelum

Number of In-patients	
Women	505
Male children	53
Female children	51
Men	5
Total	614
Religions	
Hindu	207
Mohammedan	378
European or American	4
Christians and Sweepers	25
Total	614
Results	
Cured	397
Improved	114
Unimproved	94
Died	9
Total number of operations	289
Chloroform administered to	154
Obstetrical cases	
Normal labor	40
Protracted labor	53
Towns and villages represented by in-patients	242
Number of villages visited	22
Total number of visits to patients in villages	139
Patients treated in homes	422
Number of new dispensary patients	10595
Total attendance in Dispensary	38619
Patients treated in itinerating	743
Total attendance of patients	1048
Total expenditure	Rs. 23968
Total receipts from patients	Rs. 5500
Total receipts from Government Grant	Rs. 5900

Operations

Incisions and drainage	35
Cysts excision	2
Tumor excisions	8
Foreign bodies in ear, nose and uterus	3
Suture of wounds	3
Removal of tubercular glands	5
Incision and drainage of tubercular glands	6
Inflamatory condition of skin, boils, etc.	15
Removal of sequestra	6
Evacuation of abscess	3
Amputation of finger	1
Cysts of eyelid	1
Incision for ranula	7
Extraction of teeth	32
Nasal polyp	2
Removal of breast for cancer	2
Paracentesis for Ascites	11
Appendectomy	1
Malformation of anus	3
Hemorrhoids	2
Anal fistula	1



FLORENCE JONES, R. N.
Sialkot

MISS EDITH A. PRATT, R. N.
Sialkot

DR. J. P. SIMPSON
Jhelum

Litholopaxy	7
Dilation or curettage of uterus	74
Atresia	1
Obstetrical (forceps)	3
Pedalic vermin	4
Separation and extraction of placenta	17

THE GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL JHELUM

Number of doctors: 1 Missionary, 1 Indian.

Number of nurses: 1 Missionary, 13 Indians.

The Secretary of the District Board made more official visits, since the new ward was built, than in any previous year of the hospital's existence. The Government gave a grant of Rs. 5000 last winter, and this energetic Secretary contracted to have a 12 bed ward erected on a part of the Hospital land, without any expense of time or money to the Mission.

The Secretary of Agriculture, The Honorable Sardar Jogendra Singh, laid the corner stone on February 14th. The Deputy Commission made the official opening of the ward May 4th. The Secretary of one of the Local Bodies, who has charge of Medical work in the province, inspected it at a later date. On these different occasions, many Indian officials and other friends were present.

There were also visits of Inspection from the Civil Surgeon and the Inspector General of Civil Hospitals.

The new ward is a very creditable addition to the Hospital. It is called the "Lady Irvin" ward, as the Vicerine gave her consent to do this, at her visit last year, and sent a full length portrait of herself to hang in the ward. It was due to the efforts of our Deputy Commission, W. R. Wilson, Esq., and his wife, Mrs. Curjel Wilson, M. D., that the grant was obtained for the new ward, and we are very grateful to them for their help.

The 614 in-patients this year came from 142 different villages in the surrounding districts; in none of which are there Christians outside of Jhelum City. This gives an idea of what an evangelistic agency the Hospital is.

There has been a great increase in the obstetrical cases in the past year. The six cases of abdominal operations (ovarian cysts) went home cured. One was a little girl of ten who was brought in from a distant village in a pitiable condition, but she made a splendid recovery.

The family wards are very popular. There are four belonging to the Hospital and two adjoining courtyards are rented, which give four more wards. Thus the husband and chil-

MARY F. LINCOLN, R. N.
Sargodha

EVA P. HARTIG, R. N.
Jhelum

FLORA E. HORMEL, R. N.
Sheikhupura

dren can remain with the patient and occasionally other members of the family are treated at the same time. One young Mohammedan, who was recently in one of these wards with his family, said, "Who could help loving the religion of Jesus Christ?"

THE TRAINING SCHOOL

The work during the past year has been most encouraging. There are now twelve nurses in training. These girls have all passed Eighth Standard Vernacular and come from our Girls' boarding schools in Sialkot, Pasrur, and Sangla Hill.

Two nurses have been graduated this year. Good Samaritan Training School has now eleven graduates.

The nurses are going up regularly for their examinations under "The North India United Board of Examiners for Mission and Other Hospitals." Out of the seven nurses taking examinations this year, four averaged higher than any of those in the other fifteen Mission Hospitals who sent their nurses up for the same examination.

There is a splendid Indian Staff and they have been most patient and conscientious in their class work. The pupil nurses, as well as the staff, are all true Christians and are ever seeking to win others into the fold.

STATISTICS

White Memorial Hospital, Pasrur.

	Out-door Cases	In-door Cases
Cholera	25	3
Dysentery	350	24
Typhoid Fever	12	10
Kala Azar	18	4
Malaria Fever	2500	150
Pneumonia	300	50
Rheumatic fever and Rheumatism	350	20
Tubercle of the Lungs	400	32
Other Tubercular Diseases	450	110
All other infective diseases	250	30
Anaemia	25	10
Diabetes	10	2
Scurvy	400	20
Non-Malignant	300	24
Malignant	150	10
Diseases of the nervous system	130	40
Diseases of the eye	425	50
Diseases of the ear	650	40
Diseases of the nose	500	40
All diseases of the respiratory system except Pneumonia and tubercle of the lungs	400	20
Dyspepsia	225	20
Diarrhoea	675	14
Abscess of the Liver	3	1
All other diseases of the liver	200	14
Appendicitis	4	2
All other diseases of digestive system	300	10
Inflamation and Suppuration of lymph glands	436	50
Goitre	6	4
Bright's disease	120	14
All other diseases of Urinary system	430	5
Other diseases of generative system	400	100
Diseases of organs of locomotion	240	10
Diseases of connective tissue	100	20
Ulcers	300	50
Other diseases of skin	400	6
All other local diseases	250	5
Injuries (general and local)	170	12
Normal Child Birth	5	34
Abnormal Child Birth		10
Total	23001	550

WHITE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL PASRUR

In-patients	550
New patients at Dispensary	8486
Returned patients	14515
Minor operations	140

On the night before New Year's Day, 1927, Dr. White returned to Pasrur from furlough and received a royal welcome.

The past year the number of beds has been increased from 28 to 45, and the number of in-patients has reached 550. The attendance at the Dispensary has also increased and some

important operations have been performed, in spite of the fact that Dr. White has been troubled somewhat with cataract. The sub-assistant has also performed a number of minor operations.

Miss Viola Nourse took charge of the superintending of nurses, the first of February, and the nurses have been making rapid progress. A young Mohammedan girl, who has been admitted as a nurse, very much desired baptism, but she was so anxious to get an education and insisted so strongly that she be promised medical college education that there was some hesitation in having her baptized, as it was feared that her motive was personal advantage more than real love for Christ. She had been well taught in the scriptures and had received careful instruction but she finally left and went to a Government School.

DR. MARIA WHITE
Pasrur

Two weddings occurred in the White Memorial Hospital this past year. In November Miss Nourse was married to the Rev. Walter Clifford of Ceylon. She had a very pretty wedding in the little Indian church in Pasrur and left the next day for the new field in Ceylon. The other wedding was that of Begam, an undergraduate nurse, to one of the self-support pastors of Pasrur District.

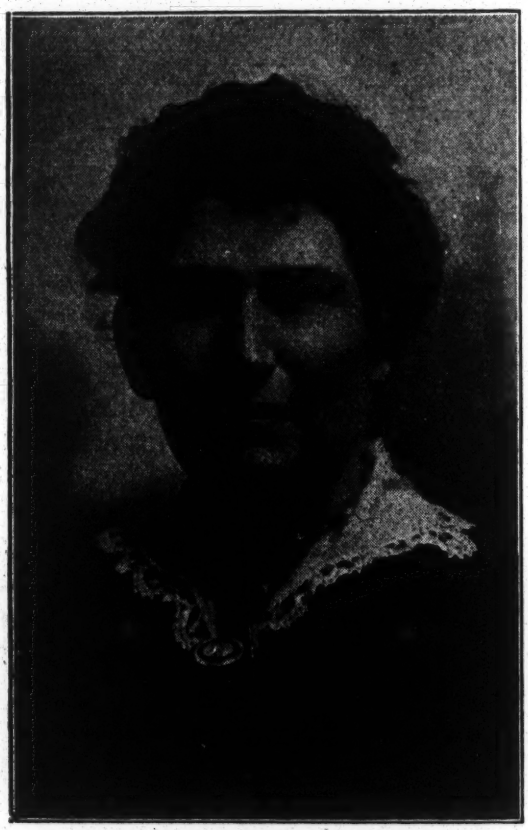
STATISTICS

Mary B. Reid Memorial Hospital, Sargodha
List of diseases treated in Dispensary and Hospital

Dysentery	142
Typhoid Fever	45
Gonoccoccal Infection	7
Syphilis	117
Malaria	245
Pneumococcal infection of the lung	214
Rheumatic Fever	148
Tuberculosis of the lung	30
Other tubercular diseases	79
Round worms	86
All other infective diseases	89
Anaemia	130
Diabetes	26
Rickets	28
Other diseases due to disorders of nutrition and metabolism	94
New Growths (non-malignant)	41
New Growths (Malignant)	4
All other general diseases	35
Diseases of the eye	557
Diseases of the ear	200
Diseases of the nose	27
Diseases of the circulatory system	121
All diseases of the respiratory system except tuberculosis of the lungs	769
Diseases of the stomach	412
Diseases of the intestines	77
Diseases of the Liver	74
All other diseases of the digestive system	126
Acute or suppurative inflamation of the lymphatic glands	204
Acute and chronic nephritis	26
All other diseases of the urinary organs	186
Other diseases of the generative system	1397
Diseases of organs of locomotion	63
Diseases of connective tissue	40
Inflamation ulcerative	68
Other diseases of skin	128
All other local diseases	117
Injuries (general and local)	133
Labor Normal	21
Labor Abnormal	16

MARY B. REID MEMORIAL HOSPITAL SARGODHA, EGYPT

There have been several changes in the management of the Hospital in the past year. Miss Kate Spencer was transferred in February to the Girls' Boarding School, and Miss Hill took her place as superintendent until the return of Miss Frances Lincoln from furlough.



KATE A. HILL
Sargodha

Several improvements have been made in the hospital during the year. Two new kitchens and a store-room have been added for the patients and staff. The wall on three sides of the ward was raised, making it more secluded. This addition has been greatly appreciated by the high caste patients. The ward verandah has been extended to almost double its former capacity. The compound has been entirely enclosed with a wire fence.

During the year there have been 250 in-patients and some of these have paid good fees for private rooms. The husband of one well-to-do patient presented a driven well to the Hospital. This has been a great boon as the city water works open for only a few hours mornings and evenings.

The plot of ground in front of the hospital has been made into a lawn for the patients, and a grateful one presented two benches for this lawn.

Outside calls have taken the Staff into many new homes and villages. These calls come from the wealthier people who pay fees.

The morning clinic is a busy place. The patients first of all sit and listen to the story old yet ever new from the Bible woman. Little children with their mothers learn the stories from the picture books, or Sabbath School rolls. Rarely a week passes that a Gospel portion is not sold. Six New Testaments and sixty-seven Gospels were sold last year.

The patients in the wards are taught each day, and few, if any, leave without a fair knowledge of the claims of Christ. The Hospital Staff cares for the sick school girls during the year. These make friends for the school and for Christianity among the patients.

Each Sabbath afternoon there is a special service in the ward, when the patients give an offering to the new church building fund.

Twice during the year the Hospital opened its doors to entertain the women of the city—once in February and again in November. There were about five hundred women and children present and there was a splendid opportunity to get to know the women in a friendly social way.

BHERA DISPENSARY

In-patients	66
New patients at the Dispensary	7601
Total attendance	23944

The numbers are somewhat less than in former years due to the fact that a fee is being charged both to

ELEANOR W. MACONACHIE
Pathankot

the in-patients and to the Dispensary patients. The staff has been the same in Bhera for the past twenty years. They are very faithful and seem to be well thought of in the community.

There has been quite a spirit of inquiry of late among the Moslems as to when Christ will come again. This interest has been caused by one of their leaders in Delhi prophesying and proclaiming to the beat of the drum, at the time of one of their big feasts, that Christ would come down to earth on that feast day. He said that he would come to Delhi to their worshiping place and for all Moslems to assemble there at ten o'clock in the morning of the feast day. Christ did not come and now there is the opportunity of telling what He said about His second coming and also as to what the Word teaches as to how to distinguish between the true and the false prophet and teaching.

ELLIOTT DISPENSARY, PATHANKOT,

Indian Assistants	3
New patients	5900
Total attendance	16186

There has been much to encourage in the work at the Elliott Dispensary

THE "LADIES OF THE DECORATION"

Each lady wears a beautiful brooch presented by the Women's Board, in recognition of thirty years of service.

Top row, Left to right—Miss Morrison, Miss Dickson, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. McConnellee, Mrs. Porter, Miss Hill.

Middle row—Miss Gordon, Miss Lawrence, Miss Logan, Miss M. R. Martin, Miss Josephine Martin, Miss F. C. Martin.

Sitting—Miss Campbell, Miss Josephine White, Miss McCahon, Miss Anderson, Dr. Maria White.

during the past year. The Indian Staff remains unchanged and they continue to do excellent work. The women from the zenanas, as well as the village women, are deeply interested in the Gospel message and listen attentively.

The district missionaries report, from time to time, the far-reaching influence that the teaching at the Dispensary exerts. One of the ladies recently told about attending a Rajput Hindu wedding, where she had had a unique opportunity of teaching about fifty or more of these high caste women. The first meeting she held, she was interrupted in her teaching by a woman asking if she came from Pathankot. On receiving an answer in the affirmative, she went on to tell of her visits to the Dispensary, and said she was greatly grieved to hear that the "buzurg" Miss Sahiba, who had been there so long, was dead. The lady explained that the missionary in question had been on furlough and had returned again to take charge of the work.

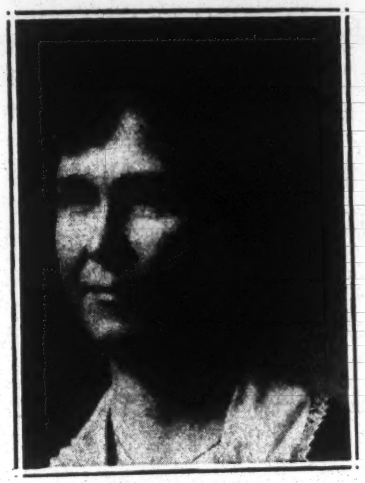
The woman then told about the teaching she had received at the Dispensary, and related to the large group of women there the parable of the Sower and of the Good Samaritan. Thus she passed on the message to her Hindu sisters.

Many such messages are carried outside of the Mission District, where otherwise the people might not have an opportunity, from any other source, of hearing the Gospel Message.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

	Bible women	Village Girls' Schools	Girls reading in boys' village schools	Christian girls in girls' village schools	Christian women teachers in girls' village schools	Non-Christian women under instruction	Number of villages visited	Number of Zenanas visited	Women reached in hospitals, dispensaries and zenanas	Salaries of Bible women
Sialkot City	2							30	75476	Rs. 420-0-0
Sialkot Hospital	2							422	1240	600-0-0
Sialkot District		2	57		2					
Gujranwala City	7							4986		3212-4-0
Gujranwala District	3	2	33		2					908-0-0
Pasrur North	1	2	87	31	2					480-0-0
Pasrur Hospital	3					60		32		960-0-0
Badomali		3	35		3					
Sangla Hill		2	3		2		250	500		
Lyallpur City	1					50		110		480-0-0
Lyallpur District	1	4	36		4		75			360-0-0
Sheikhupura	1	1	4		1	90	57	71		228-0-0
Khanjah Dogran			2							
Zafarwal	2		101			174	153	70		468-0-0
Gurdaspur	1	3	71	52	6	371	184	179	1928	545-0-0
Pathankot	3		17				82	694	2963	785-0-0
Elliott Dispensary	1									300-0-0
Jhelum	2					150	190	550		804-0-0
Rawalpindi City	4							218		2014-0-0
Rawalpindi District and Cantonment	3	1	30		1	30	75	70		828-0-0
Campbellpur	1					15	72	153		420-0-0
Abbottabad	1					15	40	50		1200-0-0
North Sargodha		1	15		1		50	20		
South Sargodha		1			1		53	100		
Sargodha Hospital	2								6197	660-0-0
TOTAL	41	22	491	83	25	955	1281	8255	87804	15672-4-0
Equivalent in U. S. money										$5224.08

THE YEAR IN THE SUDAN



ELSIE E. GROVE
Khartoum North, Sudan

REPORT OF GIRLS' BOARDING AND DAY SCHOOL, KHARTUM NORTH FOR 1927

Boarding girls	170
Day pupils	204
Total	374
Boarding fees	$1831.85
Tuitions	1001.725
Total	$2833.575
Protestants	57
Copts	129
Moslems	145
Others	43
Total	374

The requirements placed upon us by the Government, mentioned in our last year's report, were finally removed, but not until we had the satisfaction of seeing that many of our friends among the native people were willing to bear anything in order to have their children in our schools. And now as we take in new pupils there is no need of argument; immediately, when we remind them that ours is a Christian school and that their children will be given Christian teaching, they reply that they understand that and want them to have the teaching we give them. In spite of all this, you will notice above that we have had more Moslem girls than any other class.

Already with our new addition we have reached our limit and have begun to refuse to take in boarding girls; I dare say that had we the remainder of the building which we planned for in our former plans we would soon have it full as well; it does seem too bad that when the people are coming to realize the value of education for their girls we must say to them, "We cannot take your girls for we are already full." How we do long for the completion of our building according to plans when we can have the rooms we really need—school rooms, a room for the sick kiddies, a prayer room, etc.

After considerable deliberation, we decided to add two more years to our course of study and graduate our girls at the end of the eighth year above the beginner's course. The reason for this is that none of our own girls are advanced far enough to teach the higher classes when we can no longer employ Egyptian teachers; and there is a rumor that Syrian teachers are to be gotten rid of ere long as well. Accordingly we had no graduating class this year, nor will there be one the following year either. We have tried to arrange our program so that our teachers could get into some of the 7th year classes so that in a few years time our teachers will have completed the full course of study and at the same time continue their teaching in the school.

Because of the prevalence of typhoid fever, all of our girls and teachers had to be inoculated. One of our girls was nursed through a siege of the fever in the school at the opening in the fall. We have also had diphtheria and whooping cough with which to contend.

Preaching services and Sabbath School have been continued through-

out the year in the Rose Harden Chapel and girls in attendance at these services reached 140. Our audiences have outgrown our little chapel and we are in a quandary as to what we will do, for we do not want to turn any away from hearing His Word. Perhaps some of you will tell us what to do.

Five of our girls have united with the church during the year. May the Lord continue to add to His Church such as shall be saved.

Elsie E. Grove.

FRANCES TURK, R. N.
Khartoum North, Sudan

GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL KHARTOUM NORTH

Report of Nurse

Since September 1st, 1927 we have had a busy time caring for the sick. We have had epidemics of Typhoid, Diphtheria, Influenza, Malaria, and Whooping Cough. At the close of school last year, when the epidemic of Typhoid Fever broke out, all of our girls were inoculated, but, since the disease continued to spread during the summer and into the early fall, we inoculated against Typhoid every new pupil that came to us (in all about 100). However, in spite of inoculations, we had one girl who took the disease and was very, very ill, but made a beautiful recovery. We had no diphtheria in the school. Influenza very greatly interrupted our class work but gave us very little anxiety for it was very mild, in its attacks. We had to care for several cases of dysentery and many cases of malaria and one very stubborn case of bilharzia. Besides these we have had on the average of from 40 to 60 patients five days each week in our clinic. Most of these have been and are still being treated for trachoma. Thus we have spent nearly a year and it has seemed as but only a month or two. I have had charge of the diets of the whole school and will likely continue until Miss Billington gets a wee bit more familiar with the Arabic language. Have also had class work in hygiene, physiology and drill work. All these have to do with health and I thoroughly enjoy teaching them. The most of the work among the sick in the school has been done by the seventh year pupils. They have their theory in class and practice on the sick in the clinic and in the sick room. We are, six on the school medical staff; four students, one teacher and myself. They enjoy the work and it is divided among us, making it not a burden on any one of us.

We, also, have started a little Model Home, where we are going to try and teach our girls how to make the best use of what they are able to have in their homes. Miss Grove will tell you all about it when she sees you in the early spring.

Frances Turk.

REPORT OF THE WILLIAM LITTLE SCHOOL FOR GIRLS AND THE BIBLE WOMEN'S WORK AT WADI HALFA

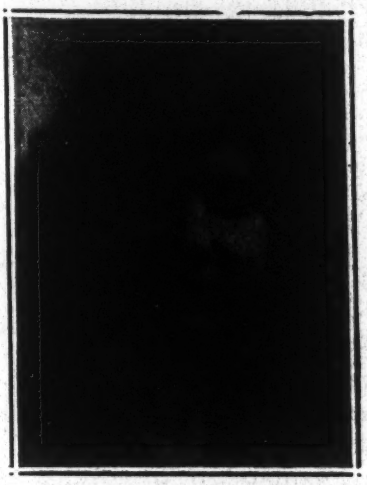
The work of the William Little Girls' School this year is largely a report of a struggle to overcome the prejudice formed, in the minds of a large number of the people last year, by the government requirement for signing of contracts.

School opened with 23 pupils, 16 Christians and 7 Moslems. At the first of October when the regulation was removed 23 more entered and the

number steadily increased until there have been, on our roll, 67 names. We have lost a large number this year on account of the removal of their fathers who are government employees, to other places. We notice the prejudice or, perhaps it can better be called, fear of the people, by the fact that the streets are full of girls who have not been absent or tardy during the year.

Dolls were received for Christmas from the Y. W. M. S. at Minden, Nebraska, the Y. W. M. S. at Coraopolis, Pa., Mrs. McClellan of Olathe, Kansas, the Juniors at Wilkinsburg, Pa. Not enough came at Christmas to be distributed then but they were

MARY E. COIE
Wadi Halfa, Sudan



MARGUERITE M. McCLELLAN
Wadi Halfa, Sudan

of school age. They ask us if they can come to school now, and when we say "Yes" and invite them, they do not come. But most of those still in town, who were in school before the difficulty arose, have returned. We can report an unusually good average attendance. During the year nothing except sickness has kept them from attending regularly and we have been exceptionally free from sickness this year. A number have neither been tardy nor absent during the year. Prizes of Copping Bible pictures have been given each month to those who have not been tardy during the month. The highest number taking prizes during any one month was 37 from an enrollment of 64. The girls are eager each month to have the pictures and we have been surprised to notice the interest which they have taken in knowing the story of the picture, even of the lesser-known stories. We expect to give a special prize at the end of the year to any given out as soon as we had the right number, and that made no difference in their reception. How the girls did love them! There was no loitering around the gate that day as they rushed home to show their treasures.

The Bible woman's work has again to report seemingly very little progress. Our pupils number seven. Some have moved away, some have stopped lessons, but some who had stopped have begun again and we have some new ones. We have been encouraged by the greater interest shown this year by those taking lessons. They have begun to want to connect up what they are reading, and are able to read with what they hear at church. Most of them are Coptic women. Our star pupil, who is not the star intellectually, still continues to be the lode star for her friends. Several of them have remarked "If I had begun at first like Um N-, I could have been ahead of her now for I am more clever than

she is." And it is very true. It is a miracle of grace the way she understands what she reads. She herself says that she does not know why she understands what she reads in the Bible when she does not understand other things which she hears read, but she thinks that it is because she wants to understand and is afraid that she may let some of it slip away from her.

Any report of our work at Halfa would not be complete without some record of the work done by the congregation. True this is not Women's Work but as we have only Women's Board workers here and some of our time, energy and prayers go into the work of the church it seems fitting that the progress be reported to you.

A year ago, in December 1926, it was decided by the members that they would finish the church building. This building consisted of the walls and roof of a building, and a partial wall around the yard. It was begun in pre-war days when there was a sizable congregation here, and has stood for ten years unfinished. It was estimated that L E 200 would be needed to finish it. There were only six families but they showed their faith when they said "We will start to finish it and only advance as we have the money." A plan of the work to be done was made, beginning with the most necessary and to each was given his task. Strangely, it seems that each was especially fitted for the place he was given. Gifts came from the townspeople, from friends in Egypt, Sudan and Abyssinia, from the brethren in our different churches in Atbara, Wadi Medani, Khartoum and Omdurman, the Synod of the Nile. A regular subscription was taken from the members here, and also the church collection the first Sabbath of each month went to the church building fund. As each part of the work was finished, there were funds to advance to the next. At no time was the work delayed for lack of funds and there was never any debt. It was completed and dedicated October 16, 1927 without debt. On that day a collection was taken toward buying an organ. The church is finished with hard white plaster walls, red-brown benches and furnishings, and red and black carpets for the aisles. Now a plan is formed to build a parsonage for the pastor whom we are praying that the Lord will send us.

But the best part of all is the change which has come in the spiritual life of the members themselves. No one who worshiped with us a year ago could fail to observe the difference in their preaching and prayers. Boulus Eff. Riffat, a seminary student from Cairo, came to us for the summer. He is a converted Moslem and very zealous for the faith which he once hated. Since he returned to his school work all the members take turns with the service. One member who was an inveterate cigarette smoker has quit smoking and been thoroughly converted to the tithe giving. There is beginning to be a feeling of responsibility for telling the Gospel message to our Moslem neighbors.

In a faint way we have claimed the promise which the Lord gave to Jeremiah, "Call unto me and I will answer and show you great, and mighty things which thou knowest not."

Mary E. Coie.

KHARTOUM NORTH, SUDAN

REPORT OF WOMEN'S WORK KHARTOUM NORTH AND KARTOUM

— 1927 —

Perhaps you might like to hear how our little nucleus of a Training School for Bible Women is progressing. We have three young girls at present, all of whom were for a greater or shorter length of time in the G. B. S. None of them are graduates, however, for which we are sorry for we feel that the Bible Women's work is coming to

require educated girls for teachers as well as the school. However, the schools have not been over-supplied yet and so I suppose we must wait our turn and make the best of the material we have to train. Many of the women are awakening to what they have been missing and more and more of the men are realizing that their wives need to learn to read and write. One young man who is planning to marry a certain girl sent word to us through his mother that he wanted us to give the girl lessons for he wanted her to know how to read and write.

UNA COIE
Khartoum North, Sudan

At first it was the request for reading but this past year I have had more requests for writing in order that they might know how to read and write letters.

Two of our training girls have been with us since September but the third came only recently. The two have been carrying on, with my help, all the work here in Khartoum North as we had no Bible woman here and the work would have to be closed if they had not come.

You will be interested to know that these three training girls while they are doing the work of practically two Bible women are not costing the Board a cent beyond the regular estimates for this work. They are housed in rooms on the present Bible Women's property here and are doing all their own work, cooking, etc. What little equipment was needed for their cooking, bedding, etc., has been provided through a part of the tithe of a missionary who designated it for that purpose.

The present quarters could be stretched to accommodate only *one* more as the rooms are very small.

The whole matter was talked over at last Association and the need for enlarging quarters was discussed. It was agreed by all that the present quarters allow for absolutely no development. When I asked for advice in regard to the estimates it was deemed advisable for me to present the matter before the Board in a separate letter rather than preparing an estimate for further work. It is not my desire nor the intention of any other worker connected with the Women's work that this Training School for Bible Women should ever become an elaborate boarding school. It is our purpose and intention that it should be run on as simple lines as possible, the girls doing all their own work except going to market, which can be done either by the superintendent's personal servant or the caretaker as is at present being done. We do not want to lead them away from their own native life but we do insist that they must be clean and tidy. This does not entail extravagance.

I have endeavored to find out just how much it does cost them to live and I believe I have arrived at the minimum expense. Of course over and above their actual board there has to be a little for clothes because most of these girls who come to us have no outside support, and in this village work of constantly walking through the sand, shoes and stockings will wear out as well as clothes. My estimate does not permit of anything aside from suitable substantial clothes and it does not permit of shoes and dresses all in one month. I have

estimated that it requires LE2 or $10 a month for each girl.

Of course when they have finished their training and become full-fledged Bible women this salary will have to be increased somewhat. I believe our present Bible women are getting LE4.

We are having to face the fact that we must train some workers for this work or close down the work. To get workers from Egypt seems to be an impossibility and besides girls who have grown up in the Sudan and touched elbows day in and day out at school with their Sudanese sisters have a much better chance for a sympathetic understanding of the Sudanese . The three training girls whom I have at present, while of Egyptian parentage, were all born in the Sudan and have never been out of it.

No doubt there are individuals or Young People's Societies who would gladly take on the support of a girl if they could only be informed of the need for such support. Or there might be others who could not afford to take the entire support but who would be willing to furnish simple equipment.

My Bible woman in Khartoum has been ill for three weeks and I have been keeping her work going, riding back and forth each day on my bicycle and having lessons with my girls in the evenings. I found it pretty strenuous, especially as we are having very windy days and one has almost to fight his way back against the wind as most of our winds are from the North at this season.

After Miss McKnight left on furlough this spring the work was carried on by the native Bible women until the summer vacation.

Our former Bible woman in Khartoum is still carrying on faithfully and well in that center with about forty-five pupils. I have not been able to go out with her as much as I should have liked but I find that she is doing very efficient work. Her heart is in the work and she has won a place in the hearts of the women.

Sitt Farooza who was for two years our Bible woman in Khartoum North was married at the close of the work this summer and so this city was left without any worker among the women . Two young girls from Halfa formerly G. B. S. girls agreed to come to Khartoum North to take the training for Bible women. Since we had no Bible woman here they have had plenty of opportunity for training in practical work by going out with me into the homes to give lessons to our pupils who number about sixty-five.

The training girls have been given special lessons in the foundation principles of the Bible together with lessons on the requirements for successful Bible women and how to deal with situations which arise. As I go out with them there have come up a number of times opportunities for practical illustrations of points which I had endeavored to teach them. It is our aim to try to develop a deeper spiritual life and a greater insight into the needs of the women. While there is much room for improvement, yet there has been advancement even in these few months.

Nafeesa, one of our newer pupils has been making remarkable progress. She finished half of the first book in a few lessons. Her home is a most interesting place for her sister, sister-in-law and old grandmother always come in for the telling of the Bible story and sit there eagerly drinking it all in and even the old grandmother can remember the stories from one week to the next. If she chance to be a little late in getting in for the story she says "Start over again, I didn't hear that from the first."

Saliha, who has been a pupil for some time and who, although she hasn't been baptized has accepted Christ in her heart and is known by all her relatives and neighbors as a Christian, has been making progress

too. Her husband who is still a Moslem is most unreasonable with her at times, in fact he seems almost demon-possessed. And yet Saliha has said to me "God has been very good to me. If it were not for the strength which He gives me I couldn't bear it. Once when I asked her if it wasn't hard for her that her family was all against her she said "Is it better that I should have the friendship of my family or peace with God?"

Um El Hassan, another very promising pupil is passing what she has learned on to her Moslem sisters. She reads in Matthew very understandingly and well and often when some of the neighbors come in she reads to them and explains it to them. She is also learning to pray in the name of Christ.

Our Monday afternoon sewing class continues in interest. We have from sixteen to twenty-one present each Monday afternoon and they enjoy the radiopticon pictures with the Bible story. One day a woman came who was there for the first time and when we turned off the lights to throw the picture on the screen she jumped up and ran out. It was only when she was assured that she was not going to be forced to be a Christian by some power cast over her in the darkness that she slipped in to see the pictures.

It is so hard for some of them to understand that Christianity is a religion of love and not of compulsion as Mohammedanism is.

The regular weekly meeting for the Christian women is held on Thursday morning in the Bible Woman's House in Khartoum North. The attendance ranges from ten to eighteen. A goodly number of these are Coptic women but they come because they get a message from God's word each week which they do not get in their own church. There have also been a very few Moslem women in attendance. As the door stands open often a number of women and girls on their way to or from the market are attracted by the singing and stop to listen often staying through the service.

The missionary meeting is held monthly in different homes with an average attendance of ten. This meeting leaves much to be desired but we are glad that the women are willing to lead this meeting themselves and hope and pray that it may grow in power and usefulness.

Una Coie.

REPORT OF WORK AMONG WOMEN AND GIRLS IN OMDURMAN

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Statistics:

Teachers, UmSadeega Hanna, Nine months.
Sitt Farose Skander, four months.
A. R. McIntyre, nine months.

Centers	Lessons in Arabic and Scripture	Total roll	Present roll	Listeners	Scripture Readers
Muselma	121	6	4	46	2
Abbassia	262	20	12	97	9
Maurada	900	37	32	340	9
Orta	578	23	21	210	3
Central	87	9	9	34	2
Totals	1948	95	78	727	25

Pupils, Moslems 94, Copts 1.
Attendance at meetings, Total 695.

AULORA R. McINTYRE
Omdurman, Sudan

It is said that statistics do not lie yet it may be that they fail to tell the whole truth. We read, "1948 lessons given each in Arabic reading and Scripture for the year 1927." How little the figures tell. To know the real meaning you must accompany the faithful black Bible woman on her daily trip . First, the tram for which she stands waiting 15 minutes or runs for if the engineer happens to be off schedule the other way. After 20 minutes she arrives at the Maurada and a few minute's walk brings her to her first pupil. Fatma is at home for she is one of the hareemat (secluded) and gets out only for a wedding, birth or funeral. She hasn't studied today's lesson as she spent the past week at her grandfather's bika (mourning). So patiently the Bible woman goes through a poorly prepared lesson, then the Scripture lesson. This is the bright part for Fatma happens to be one of the interested ones and listens quietly as the new lesson is read and explained and answers the questions in the review of last week's lesson. Why is it that no objections are raised to the story of the resurrection when the distinction between Islam and Christianity is brought home?,"Our Savior is a living Savior. Had He remained in the tomb like other human beings He would have had no power to save. It takes a living Savior to redeem men." Nothing is said about the dead Mohammed who remained in the tomb to return to dust like the mortal that he was but Fatma would be dull indeed if no such thought comes to her mind. After another walk, Aisha's home is reached. She is delighted by a well prepared reading lesson but the trial begins with the giving of the Scripture lesson. A fanatical old grandmother sits on guard to see that Aisha doesn't absorb too much "false doctrine." Several in the room carry on a conversation and various means are used to distract attention from the lesson. But the truth is given be the difficulties ever so great and whatever the expense of nervous energy and spiritual power in this fight with the powers of the air. Sitt Farosa starts in another direction on a donkey while the missionary at a higher speed starts out on a bicycle to another district. When all return some hours later they have accomplished from 15 to 20 of the 1948 lessons reported. At least these appreciate the figures and we trust those 95 girls and women who have been the objects of the effort may have gotten the message intended. How we rejoice that our responsibility is but to sow and water, not to bring the increase. That important part is in much safer hands than ours where we can commit it with confidence and assurance that the seed sown with tears will bring fruitage to rejoicing reapers whether the sower and the reaper be or be not the same.

In comparing the statistics of 1927 with those of 1926 we discover a downward trend. In 1927, 22 months were spent in the work and 24 in 1926. Also in the past year the work has been more intensive. It has not been the aim to reach greater numbers but to give those enrolled longer and more effective lessons. In consequence but few new names have been added and some less promising

pupils have been dropped in order to give more time to the more deserving. It has been a matter of rejoicing and thanksgiving that we have been able to give a course of thirty lessons in the life of Christ, a course which it would have been quite impossible to give to Moslems a few years ago. It demonstrates that we have come to the time when we do not have to "soft-pedal" in teaching the fundamental facts of Christianity. The more enlightened Moslem expects frankness and sincerity. This of course does not exclude tact for one's power is taxed to the utmost in presenting truth which is diametrically opposed to their beliefs and doing it inoffensively.

A smaller number of occasional listeners is reported than last year and this reveals another change that we have felt justified in making in our method of work. We used to think it very desirable to have a room full of listeners when giving the lesson but we have been led to consider them rather a room full of distractions, at least sometimes, with little real value being received by them. On the other hand the pupil who may really be interested may be quite embarassed by the presence of fanatical friends or neighbors and she will be afraid to show the interest she really feels and has her thought and attention distracted. So it has been our practice wherever possible this year to extend no invitations to outsiders to stay for the lesson and prefer a quiet room alone with the pupil if possible. For after all it is with her that we hope to accomplish the real purpose of our work.

Another change in method is in the presentation of the lesson. Heretofore we have used the story telling method to a great extent but this year we have had each lesson read from the Scripture and explained. We have found a decided advantage in this for a pupil will listen with patience to the reading of something which she would object to simply told. This is due to the great reverence these people feel for that which is written. One comes to appreciate the Savior's frequent use of the expression "it is written" for to the eastern mind it carries great weight. It is purposed in the coming year to follow the Course in the Life of Christ with studies in Acts, especially the work of Peter and Paul, for the advanced pupils.

The radiopticon has been in use since September with an illustrated talk each Monday evening. Crowds varying from 10 to 35 have given interested attention. Sewing with Sudanese embroidery as a specialty has been taught on Monday afternoons part of the year and recently a class for writing and simple arithmetic has been started on Thursday afternoons. A Scripture lesson and singing Psalms is always enjoyed in these meetings.

A Christmas party at which 80 were present was held at the missionary's home, December 29. A radiopticon talk on the Life of Christ followed the presentation of prizes and gifts.

Aulora R. McIntyre

Note—The pictures of our other workers in the Sudan, Miss Madeline Wilson, Miss Esther Ganter and Miss Lillian Billington of the Girls' Boarding School, Khartoum North, and Miss C. Blanche Soule, R. N., and Miss Ray Huffman, R. N., of Nasser, appear on page 161.

THE YEAR IN ABYSSINIA

REPORT OF GEORGE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL 1927

Clinic Patients	9190
Hospital Patients	570
Hospital days	10012
Adults:	
Male	441
Female	92
Children	37
Medical	383
Surgical	187
Operations	132
Major	26
Minor	106
Hospital paying full price	249
Hospital paying half price	21
Hospital paying part price	11
Free Hospital Patients	289
Nationalities, tribes, etc:	
Hungarian	2
Italian	2
German	5
Armenian	3
Georgian	1
Greek	10
Indian	25
Arab	19
American	5
Austrian	1
Galla	186
Amhara	259
Tigrean	11
Gouragi	10
Filasha	1
Kaffa	1
Somali	1
Shankalla	6
Unknown	16

A. W. Pollock, M. D.

GEORGE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

In reporting the work of the George Memorial Hospital for the past year, I feel that I owe you more than the mere statistics sent off last week. You have nobly supported our work here and I wish to say it would take more than simple words to express our appreciation of what you have done for us. It is not only the dollars and cents that come to us regularly that cheers our hearts but the knowledge that your gifts are followed by earnest prayer for us—your representatives—here on the field. This to us is the most important contribution to our work.

In looking back over the past year our hearts are filled with gratitude to God for all His goodness to us. We have labored on in the midst of sickness and disease and although three of our own number were stricken with the dreaded Typhus Fever, which was fatal in nearly fifty per cent of the cases among the natives, yet God raised up all our own, when death seemed so near. When our two nurses were ill at the same time and the doctor's wife who had been doing nurse's duty was also laid aside, kind friends volunteered and helped us until the crisis was past.

HAZEL EWING
Addis Ababa, Abyssinia

His Highness Ras Tafari also loaned us two Tigrean nurses when we were left with no nurses at all and the hospital two-thirds full of patients.

The coming of Dr. Finley from Egypt—kindly loaned to us by the Foreign Board and the Egyptian Association—brought joy to our hearts.

Although he was able to stay with us for ten months only he was a wonderful help and soon found his way into the hearts of the people here. We deeply appreciate all he did for us.

Just before he left Egypt word had reached there that the third member of our number had been taken with typhus and that we were without nurses. He then brought with him Miss Brooks from the Assiut Hospital who arrived in time to take over work before Miss Ewing left for America. Without Miss Brook's coming all the nursing would have fallen upon Miss Beatty. For all this we were thankful.

Although the actual number of patients in the hospital fell a little below that of 1926 many of the cases were more desparately ill. During 1927 the epidemic of typhus was not so severe among the natives in regard to numbers. Dysentery and pneumonia were not so prevalent in 1927 as in the latter months of 1926.

During the past year also we have been making a more determined effort to get the people who are able, to pay more in fees than they had been doing.

We never turn a patient away because he is poor. I think our figures which show that out of a total of 570 patients, 289 were absolutely free (a trifle more than half) make it plain that we do not turn away the poor. We found many who were able to pay, laboring under the belief that the hospital belonged to the Government and therefore they were entitled to free treatment. Naturally we soon disabused their minds along that line. Many of the patients now come with the first week's fees in their hands when they wish to enter the hospital. A year ago they never did that.

Although so many were treated free in the hospital it was gratifying to find that for the calendar year just past, the hospital paid 47% of its expenses from fees received on the field. Our financial report of course will be made for the fiscal year ending June 30th.

I hope to make the financial report this year very full so that the Board may get a correct idea of just how we have spent the money received.

The one striking thing about running the hospital the past year has been the increase in the cost of almost everything in the way of supplies. This is due to different causes. Addis Ababa is rapidly growing in population not only because of the Abyssinians who are drifting into the capital but also because of the increase in the number of Europeans who have come for business and other reasons. This has caused a very marked rise in the price of food stuffs. There are not many houses suitable for Europeans and the demand for such has caused rents to rise to an enormous figure for such houses, some houses renting from $60 to $100 per month.

When we came to the field in May 1926 flour was $5.75 per sack. For the hospital we now have to pay $12 for the same and at times the price has been $15. Butter then was 50 cents a pound, now it has risen to $1.00 per pound. Most of the other supplies have risen in like proportion so that we are finding it much more expensive to run the hospital kitchen.

Because of this rise in food stuffs, wages have risen also for it now is impossible for the Abyssinians and the hospital help to live on the same wage as last year. Wages seem small in comparison with the home land, but fees are also small. Servants in the hospital who used to work for $3 to $4 per month, now must get from $6 to $8 and that barely buys them food and clothing. Milk had become very scarce and also very expensive. At times we have been compelled to use some tinned milk to get enough for patients on milk diet.

I am sure too that the Board has wondered when we have asked for

considerable appropriation for repairs. The question must have arisen; why so much for repairs on a building only about three years old and built according to American ideals.

Although the roof is made from good American artificial shingles we are troubled with considerable leaking each rainy season. This has also caused plaster to fall in places. We have tried to get the roof repaired every time a leak is discovered but even yet when there is a hard rain with a strong wind there will be leaks.

The diagnosis of the trouble seems to be that because the pitch of the roof is not at all steep, the strong wind blows the rain up under the shingles and so causes leaks. Of course it is impossible to change the pitch of the roof.

Then too, some painting has had to be done and *much* more should be. Of course the iron roofs, exposed to terrifically direct rays of an equatorial sun need repainting at times. Drain pipes and the sewage system is always a heartbreak in an oriental field. Patients and help will not be careful about what is thrown into closets and sinks. Cotton, towels and what not often find their way into the pipes and at times the trouble can only be cured by digging up long sections of pipe from a considerable depth. This and a thousand and one other things—in most cases due to the carelessness of the native help—cause us year after year trouble and repair expense. We do all we can to train the native help to be careful, we talk to them until we are hoarse but they learn so slowly. Ignorant patients who have never before been in a modern house break so many things when they are convalescing. They open windows and forget to fasten them and our strong winds break windows without number. I am sure the Columbia Hospital Board would go crazy if they had to manage George Memorial for a while.

In speaking of growing expense I forgot to mention the 20% increase in freight rates from the seaport Djibuti to Addis Ababa. Even before the raise they were bad enough. For example when Dr. Lambie left for America I shipped for him a consignment of eleven cases after he left. The freight from Addis Ababa to Djibuti was MT$90.00 for the 500 miles, while from Djibuti to New York via Hamburg—thousands of miles—was only MT$60.

Practically everything shipped to us costs us considerably more now to get it from Djibuti than the prepaid freight from New York to Djibuti. Lamp oil and fuel are getting more expensive all the time, our oil costing us nearly 50 cents a gallon laid down at the hospital.

During the past year we have had the added expense of a short term nurse, paid for out of our appropriation. Of course we could not have gotten on without her after Miss Ewing's illness and return to America. Her fare to England will also have to be paid. Her time is up in July (really was up in April of this year) but we asked her to stay on till July hoping that help will come before that time. When she leaves *only* Miss Beatty will be left unless help comes and one nurse is surely not enough for a hospital of this size. We need three nurses all the time. With two nurses as we have now there is no one to put on night duty when we have especially bad cases and that is nearly all the time. Nurses too must have a change from this altitude for it does get on one's nerves to live continuously over a mile and a half above sea level all the time. Miss Beatty has only had three weeks vacation since she came out in June 1926.

The work here grows more encouraging all the time and I am sure that George Memorial has a very bright future before her. Patients are paying better than ever before. Had Dr. Finley been able to stay on

I am sure he would have done more and more all the time. We are hoping great things when Dr. Bergsma comes and the people get to know him. There is much surgery to be done here in Abyssinia and as soon as the people get confidence in a man the work pours in. At present the medical wards are always fuller than the surgical. During the past months we have been having more patients in private rooms from the richer classes and fortunately these have all done well. Cured patients are the best advertisement for a hospital and we are glad that we have had so many of these.

In closing I want again to thank the Board for the loyal support you have given us. We have tried not to ask for anything that we have not felt was absolutely necessary for the work. We have tried to manage the hospital in as economical manner as possible. In the future we will do the same. Especially do we hope that a dynamo and engine can be secured for light. The building is all wired for electricity now—but first of all we need help for the nursing staff. We keep in mind that our first duty and privilege here is to preach the Gospel and we know that you are all praying that God will use the medical work and His workers here as instruments in the saving of many souls.

I must not close without saying a word of appreciation of what Mr. Russell has done for the hospital. Although he is, officially, General Treasurer for Abyssinia, yet he spends hours and hours in actual *manual* work for the hospital and for all the buildings on the compound. He has done work with his own hands that would have cost the hospital large sums of money had we been compelled to have gotten the European mechanics and others here in Addis Ababa to do the work. His advice also in planning things for the hospital and in superintending the repairs have been invaluable.

A. W. Pollock, M. D.

RUTH C. BEATTY, R. N.
Addis Ababa, Abyssinia

AMERICAN MISSION
ADDIS ABABA, ABYSSINIA

During the past year we have had much for which to be thankful. We have had the privilege of taking care of many of the sick and suffering. Pneumonia has caused the death of a number of our people, but there have been many whose recovery to us seemed doubtful, for whom God has heard our prayers and they have gone home happy.

Within the last two months we have had a Falacia twice as a patient. As you probably know the Falacias are Jews who live in the northern part of Abyssinia. They are very hard to reach with the Gospel. While in the hospital this man was given a testament. Soon after receiving it Dr. Pollock had occasion to go into the man's room. As he entered he noticed the Falacia slipping something under his bedclothes. One has to use tact and Dr. Pollock was able to lead him into conversation. But the next day he asked to leave. We heard that he told down town that he was afraid of the teachings out at the hospital. A couple of weeks later he came back to the hospital. This time the doctor had a longer conversation with him in which the Falacia seemed much

freer to talk. He asked for a Bible as he had just the New Testament. May there have been some seed sown in this heart while he was with us.

For several Sabbaths some of the priests have been attending the services. They are quite attentive and a couple of weeks ago one of them asked for a song book to take home for a couple of days.

With a few exceptions everyone has been willing to listen to the reading of the Word. When a patient is able to read he enjoys doing so. Even though we have had no confession yet we believe that seed is being sown which will bear fruit to God's honor and glory.

Ruth Beatty.

VIOLA M. BAYNE, R. N.
Gorei, Abyssinia

THE AMERICAN MISSION

Gorei, Abyssinia

I am interested in so many departments of our work, I question just where I should begin, but perhaps the work of the clinic should be my most important report. Clinic work has gone on very well in the last year. Numbers have increased and our methods of caring for the patients greatly improved. We find our work touching in villages many days journey from Gorei. The kinds of diseases treated are chiefly goiter, skin, sore eyes, feet infections, fevers and leprosy. The surgical work has been plentiful including chiefly hernia and elephantiasis cases along with some eye cases.

In our Bible classes folks seem to be learning that there must be more here than the lone sale of medicine and while they are bringing their money with less resistance they are also giving better attention to the Bible lesson and coming in time for the first class. Before the Bible lesson, the clinic gate is closed and all the patients outside must wait until the first people have been taught and cared for, then the gate is opened and the lesson repeated and the treatments given in order. If there be a third crowd at the gate the same method is repeated. The new operating room has not been completed yet, due to poor wood and no roofing. Men are working on the building today and we hope to have it ready for use this rainy season.

The doctor has gone to Sayo to care for some surgical work, and I am alone in the clinic work at the present time. There are but nine convalescent patients in the hut.

I have just finished eight weeks of kindergarten classes. The little ones were very sweet this year as usual. I had nineteen enrolled but an average attendance of about fifteen. I hoped to go on longer with these classes but the little ones must now stay home to do the duties of the other children in the home while they attend school with Mr. Wilson.

Since Mrs. Walker left us I have taken over the women's work here. The women meet in my home every Thursday for Bible lesson and singing after which a social committee serves coffee. In this connection Mrs. Dougherty has started a work in the homes of the women meeting twice each week and gathering the women together for Bible lesson. I attend some of these meetings and am astounded at the way the women are able to learn and recite.

Friday of each week I go with my Junior Society and in some hut or on some compound hold a service for the people who gather to hear of Christ. My children sing very well and work hard to have large crowds gather for these meetings. A few of my boys have gone alone and conducted meetings without my help. One Sabbath the President of the society asked permission to go to a village instead of coming to the Junior meeting. In the evening he came back reporting an attendance of seventy where he met in the home of a workman.

MRS. RUTH L. WALKER
Gorei Abbyssinia

I am supporting one of my house servants now as a native evangelist. He goes four days a week to some village, gathers the servants and slaves together and has classes in Bible. I go with him but one day a week, but in these visits I find the people much interested and very friendly with him and the message he has to give them. The days he does not go to a village he has washing and ironing work for me.

One night each week I have choir practice for the house servants. We are learning new songs and at a cost of great effort. These folks have music in their souls, but to learn a true tune and be able to sing it in the same order is truly a task. Last week I sang the verses of "Far better than silver and gold" while the audience sang the chorus. I find this a good way to introduce the music of a new song.

Saturday afternoons we meet in the school house for half an hour of silent prayer. I believe this is where we get our power for the heavy schedule we carry on Sabbath day. Many natives who hear the bell come from their work in the market place and bow down with us before God and pray very definitely, for the morrows work. God hears and blesses us richly.

Sabbath morning I have a class of thirty tots who as yet are too tiny for school. They play their lessons and are thus better able to remember them and even use their Bible lessons as games on their compounds. One day as I rode past the gate of a town compound I found some of my tots playing the story of "Ruth gleaning in the fields". One day in one of the Sabbath School rooms I heard a volume of laughter, and on investigating, found the children playing "Ananias and Sapphira." They were carrying out one of the bodies. Their little minds are so empty they must almost touch an object before they really can understand that there is one.

Since Mrs. Walker is gone Mrs. Dougherty has been playing for the services and I lead the singing.

My first Junior society is now being instructed by Mr. Wilson and each week instead of having indoor meetings they go in teams to villages near Gorei and gather people together and teach them a Bible lesson and sing with them. This work has grown steadily and with much interest among the boys. During the last month fourteen hundred and ninety-one people were gathered in such meetings. On the last Sabbath there were four hundred and forty-nine reported as gathered in the Sabbath meetings. Once a month we have a business meeting with the older boys

as well as with the Junior society and at this time instruction is given and reports made and captains and teams appointed. A very wonderful work indeed and aside from enriching the lives of our boys, we are touching with the Gospel, far more people than we could hope to gather into our building in Gorei. There is a little opposition among the Amhara people but the Galla people simply open their homes to us. I have been invited into the huts of some of the higher officers and they too have received me cordially and with much pride. I am astonished by the number who know me and where I come from. There have been many entirely forgotten until I am surprised with greetings from them on such occasions.

This work takes me away from home every afternoon each week except one and of course brings me back again very tired and dirty. I go on horse-back and do enjoy the rides out, but am always ready to retire early.

I am living in my usual quarters and have adopted a new son and daughter. I now have two daughters and a son with four servants to teach. I still have my oldest girl, the daughter of Lydia. She is indeed a very sweet girl and tries very hard to please. The stove we have been expecting, arrived from Gambeila in the last week, but alas! no pipe. Reports were that the stove was badly damaged but we find it quite usable, the broken parts being unessential. I have set up some charcoal burners and intend to go right on using them.

This post brought me a bill from Mr. Russell. One bag of sugar (100 lbs.) delivered in Gorei last year $52.50 M. T. The sugar costing $32.-50 and $19 to have it delivered in Gorei. The price of oil has not dropped and we have had to send to Addis Ababa for it. These things certainly cost money. We have been using candles for many weeks now. I don't feel that I can afford much oil when it does come, at $14 M. T. a can. I learn that oil in Addis Ababa is four dollars a can.

During the year the Women's Board work in Gorei was the recipient of a number of specials. Mrs. Gertude Downs of Mt. Lebanon Congregation sent us $100 U. S. to help make over our living quarters. A new floor and ceiling have been put in to our large house and a straw roof must be put on before the rains if I am to live here. I could live in the Wilson house until the Wests return from furlough but that would force me right back here again during rains. There is no other place for me.

A Y. P. C. U. in Ottawa, Kansas gave a gift of $83 to Rev. Lobaugh for the purchase of equipment for his work in Abyssinia. As he could not be sent this year to Abyssinia, the fund was transferred to his sister, Mrs. Walker, to be used in the work here. This special, with $5 from a Mrs. Graham in Philadelphia, and $30 from the Quester Club, Second Church, St. Louis is being kept here in Gorei to be used by Mrs. Walker in Women's Board work when she returns after furlough.

Recently I had a special of $10 U. S. from Mrs. Mary Samuels of India. With this I was able to bring a sick girl in from the market place and give her a home and salvarsan injections. At the end of one month she refused to stay longer, but had improved considerably. And too, with the same special I bought coffee and cups and formed our first social committee among the women. This has helped us oh so much in our social time after our meetings.

I failed to report that some of the girls from Mrs. Walker's school have been enrolled in the day school for boys. Some are too tiny and not far enough advanced to be included in a school where the enrollment is seventy-three and teachers three, but I am glad for the ones who are will-

ing to go there for school. One of the girls I now have as my daughter. She speaks English very well and reads and interprets for our women's meetings. She is quite a help in our work, and makes our hut meetings so much more comfortable than if we had to use a boy interpreter.

Surely we all wish for a language school in Abyssinia. Our efforts are without fruit mostly and the time spent on the study of language seems to bring forth such little return. I believe I gather a better knowledge of the language by working along with an interpreter than I do by sitting down alone and trying to create a grammar by which I can advance. There are no language books except the Bible itself and a Galla book the Consul here has written, but this book is of little value.

The year's work has indeed been richly blessed and the work in every department very healthful. We are all happy and quite busy, everyone carrying as great a schedule as possible, but all in good health apparently.

Viola Bayne.

ELIZABETH McKIBBEN
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THE ANNUAL REPORT

The Annual Report of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church is presented in this number of **The Womens Missionary Magazine.** From these pages our workers speak. These faces, we trust will make the messages vibrate with life. It is our regret that some are missing. For various reasons a few pictures did not reach us. We shall hope to present these later.

Sit down, if you will, and count the workers in home fields and in foreign fields and try to estimate the great volume of service, of sacrifice and of prayer which this report represents.

May every one who reads and re-reads these pages re-dedicate herself to the Master and pledge new allegiance to His work which is under the care of the Womens General Missionary Society. — Editor.

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Miss Kate E. Spencer, 1918 .....Sargodha
Miss Emma M. Stauffer, R. N., 1925 .....Pasrur
Miss Evelyn Tromans, 1923 .....Pasrur
Miss Edna Ward, 1923 .....Sargodha
Miss Georgia Wengert, 1919 .....Jhelum
Miss Josephine White, 1884 .....Rawalpindi
Dr. Maria White, 1886 .....Pasrur
Miss Dora B. Whitely, 1911 .....Pasrur
Miss Gertrude E. Zink, 1919 .....Sangla Hill

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Miss Rebecca Jean Black, 1921 .....Petrolia, Pa.
Miss Theresa Brownlee, 1922 ....Zenith, Kansas
Miss Margaret Fehlman, 1913 ....Crown Point, Ind.
Miss Betsy Fleming, 1913 .....
.....6549 Emerald Ave., Chicago, Ill.
Miss Ella Gordon, 1893, ...Pattersonville, N. Y.
Miss Zarra S. Hoon, 1921 .....Milton, Oregon
Dr. Reba C. Hunsberger, 1921 .....
.....1514 Master St., Philadelphia, Pa.
Miss Janette Howland, 1921 ....Walton, New York
Miss Flora Jameson, 1903 .....
....%904 Publication Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Miss Mary Kyle, 1904, Phon. Garfield Co. Montana
Miss Olive Laing, 1921, 46 Maple Ave., Ingram, Pa.
Miss Jean Morrison, 1895 .....
.....829 S. Second St., Oskaloosa, Ia.
Miss Rosa A. McCullough, 1879 ....Greenwood, Mo.
Miss Willa Ramsey, 1921 .....West Sunbury, Pa.
Miss Lorena B. Taylor, 1922 .....Manhattan, Kans.
Miss Vivian L. Trimble, 1921, College Springs, Ia.
Miss Cynthia Wilson, 1875 ..... Pasadena, Calif.
Miss Rosa T. Wilson, 1886 .....
36 North Chester Ave., Pasadena, Calif.
Miss Carrie Worman, 1921 ... .Golden, Illinois

EGYPT

Miss Mildred Allison, 1926 .....Cairo
Miss Ella M. Barnes, 1911 .....Cairo
Miss Margaret Bell, 1901 .....Fayoum
Miss Leota Cabeen, 1909 .....Alexandria
Mrs. Mary K. Coventry, 1918 .....Cairo
Miss Anna B. Criswell, 1905 .....Assiut
Miss Lucia Dwight, 1919 .....Tanta
Mrs. Sara M. Eby, R. N., 1926 .....Cairo
Miss Gudrun C. Estvad, 1925 .....Cairo
Miss Minnehaha Finney, 1894 .....Tanta
Miss Alta Grace French, 1925 .....Cairo
Miss Elsie French, 1909 .....Zagazig
Miss Alice Grimes, 1924 .....Cairo
Miss Rena Hogg, 1896 .....Assiut
Miss Isabel G. Hosack, R. N., 1912 .....Cairo
Miss Lois D. Kingan, 1926 .....Cairo
Miss Lillian McClelland, 1923 .....Monsurah
Miss Jeanette McCrory, 1916 .....Benha
Miss May E. McFarland, 1919 .....Cairo
Miss Carol McMillan, 1906 .....Tanta
Miss E. Roxie Martin, 1901 .....Cairo
Miss Dora Mason, 1918 .....Alexandria
Miss Sara B. Meloy, 1923 .....Tanta
Miss Marion Paden, 1920 .....Zagazig
Miss Venna R. Patterson, 1924 .....Cairo
Mrs. Rachel Tracy Seiver, 1925 .....Fayoum
Miss Edna B. Sherriff, 1920 .....Alexandria
Miss Nellie C. Smith, 1911, Alexandria
Miss M. Frances Tait, 1925 .....Cairo
Miss Anna Y. Thompson, 1871 .....Cairo
Miss Mary L. Thompson, 1917 .....Assiut
Miss Ethel Weed, 1919 .....Alexandria
Miss Elizabeth S. White, 1924 .....Cairo
Miss Ida B. Whiteside, 1924 .....Luxor
Miss Ruth Mary Williamson, 1924 .....Tanta
Miss Esther W. Wilson, 1919 .....Luxor
Miss Margaret Work, 1924 .....Beni Suef
Miss Ruth Work, 1904 .....Assiut

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Miss Mary F. Dawson, 1922 % L. W. Dawson
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Miss Davida Finney, 1914 .....Coshocton, Ohio
Miss Martha C. Glass, 1921 .....Monmouth, Illinois
Miss Alfretta M. Hammond, 1904 .....
.....State Hospital, Warren, Pa.
Miss May Holland, R. N., 1913 .....
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.....414 Linden St., Camden, N. J.
Miss Helen J. Martin, 1914 .....
.....303 Kelly St. Wilkinsburg, Pa.
Miss Helen J. Noordewier, 1921 .....
757 Logan St., S. E., Grand Rapids, Mich.
Miss Frances M. Patton, 1922 .....
.....% W. C. Patton, Sparta, Illinois
Miss Estelle Robertson, 1922 .....
....% 904 Publication Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Miss Jane C. Smith, 1922 .....
....% 904 Publication Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Miss Margaret A. Smith, 1872 .....Garnett, Kansas
Miss Laura B. Walker, 1904, % Mrs. Joseph Walker, 606 Beechwood Ave., Carnegie, Pa.
Miss Laura B. Wright, 1921 College Corner, Ohio

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Miss Mary Coie, 1919 .....Wadi Halfa
Miss Una Coie, 1918 .....Khartum North
Miss Esther Minta Ganter, 1928 ....Khartum North
Miss Ray Huffman, R. N., 1924 .....Nasser
Miss Aulora R. McIntyre, 1919 .....Omdurman
Miss Marguerite M. McClellan, 1926 ....Wadi Halfa
Miss C. Blanche Soule, R. N., 1921 .....Nasser
Miss Frances Turk, R. N., 1921 .....Khartum North
Miss Madeline Wilson, 1924 .....Khartum North

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Miss Lillian Billington, 1927, ...
.....509 High St., Bellingham, Wash.
Miss Elsie E. Grove, 1912, Due West, So. Carolina
Miss Mary Jane McKnight, 1922 .....Volant, Pa.

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Miss Ruth C. Beatty, R. N., 1920 .....Addis Ababa
Miss Elizabeth McKibben, 1924 .....Saye

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Miss Isabel Blair, 1922 .....Washington, Pa.
Miss Hazel Ewing, 1923 .....
.....1197 Main St., Woodlawn, Pa.
Mrs. Ruth Lobaugh Walker, 1923 .....
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MRS. GEORGE MOORE MEMORIAL FUND

Part of the cuts used in this Magazine are furnished from the Mrs. George Moore Memorial Fund.

At the 1927 convention we reported $5,825.00. At the 1928 convention we reported $7,278.00.

We wish to express our thanks to all societies and individuals who have contributed to this fund. We look forward to the time when we shall reach the goal—$10,000.

Tributes

MRS. MARY EMMA KOHLMEYER

The Women's Missionary Society of Eau Claire U. P. Church desires to pay this tribute of love to Mrs. Mary Emma Kohlmeyer, who was called home, April 20, 1928.

She was a charter member of our society and was actively interested in all missionary activities although on account of ill health she was unable to attend our meetings, her presence and influence were always felt. In her death we have lost a devoted friend and faithful worker.

We extend our sympathy to her husband and daughters so sadly bereft, and may we bow in humble submission to Him who doeth all things well.

Mrs. R. B. Wilson,
Mrs. J. R. McMichael.

MRS. W. B. ANDERSON

A Tribute from
The Women's Missionary Society
of Philadelphia Presbyterial

The members of the Women's Missionary Society of Philadelphia Presbyterial desire to express their love and appreciation of the faithful service of Mrs. W. B. Anderson, who fell asleep June 28, 1928.

Possessed of a charming personality, she used all her talents for the cause of Christ. Her sweetness, graciousness and winsome humor were all brought into play that her Master's cause might be advanced abroad and at home. She lived a prayerful, humble life, being conspicuous only in the sincerity of her purpose and her devotion to duty, in every relation of life. She has left us a fragrant memory of whole-hearted service.

We express our heartfelt sympathy to the husband and children and commend them to Him who has said, "My grace is sufficient for thee."

We cherish her memory and will endeavor to follow her example of godly living and faithful service.

It is fitting that we pay tribute to the loving service, rendered as Secretary of Young Women's Work, for the past seven years. She had a gift for working with young women and enlisting their cooperation. She will continue to live in the lives of the young women, who have come under her influence.

She rendered valuable service as chairman of the Prayer Meeting Committee for a number of years and found great joy in the "Annual Day of Prayer."

We have suffered a personal loss, we miss the sunshine of her presence but we rejoice that it is "gain" for her. "In Thy presence there is fullness of joy at Thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.' '

Mrs. W. D. Morrow,
Mrs. Sarah Parker,
Mrs. James Mackenzie.

MRS. W. B. ANDERSON

A Tribute from
First United Presbyterian Church
Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa.

"Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life."

On June 28, 1928, Mrs. W. B. Anderson was promoted from service to reward and received her crown. She is with Christ and those whom he has redeemed out of every nation.

She was a woman of diversified gifts combining practical needs and spiritual values in such a way as to give to each their proper place. Her life was given to God to use "every power as He should choose.' '

Her home was a consecrated place and it was her earnest desire that the lives of those whom she touched should be enriched in spiritual ways. It was a place where missionaries found a welcome,where young women might meet to plan their activities and where the "two or three" might be the Lord's remembrancers.

She was a woman of large vision, both in planning the work at home and in "undertaking great things" for the wider interests of the Kingdom.

Her social charm, gracious personality and sense of humor attracted friends, enhanced her usefulness in the Lord's work and were a testimony that "the beauty of the Lord our God was upon her."

This world is richer because of Mrs. Anderson's life, her memory will be blessed and Heaven has been brought nearer to the women of the First Germantown Church, because one they loved has "entered in".

Mrs. T. O. Shane,
Mrs. Robert Killough,
Mrs. E. M. Millen,
Mrs. W. D. Morrow.
Committee of Women's Missionary Society.

CORPORATION MEETING OF THE WOMEN'S GENERAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Corporation met in the assembly hall of the Publication Building, Pittsburgh, Pa., at ten o'clock, Tuesday, July 3, 1928, Mrs. Sands presiding and opening with prayer. The "Convention Song", part of Psalm 145, was sung and the convention chapter, John 21, was read. Prayer was offered by Miss Elizabeth Milligan and Mrs. A. A. Frazee.

Roll call showed the presence of the following voting members: from Allegheny presbyterial, Mrs. Schwab, Mrs. D. E. Austin, Mrs. H. M. Bruce, Mrs. W. R. Wilson, Mrs. John E. Simpson; Beaver Valley, Mrs. J. M. Myers; Monongahela, Mrs. Frazee, Mrs. E. L. Campbell, Miss Margaret Cousley, Mrs. E. W. Brown, Miss Mary Neison, Mrs. J. A. Morrow, Mrs. T. J. Miller, Mrs. W. K. Given, Mrs. J. H. McElhinney; Arkansas Valley, Mrs. S. C. Hanna. Members of the Board of Directors, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Sands, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. O. H. Milligan, Mrs. Wiegering, Miss Elizabeth Milligan, Mrs. Kerr, Miss Little, Mrs. McMunn, Mrs. Heagen, Miss Wallace. Life Members present but not entitled to vote, Mrs. Mattie Patterson, Miss M. E. McCormick, Miss Carrie M. Reed, Miss S. J. Anderson, Mrs. F. A Gaut, Miss Theresa Lippert, Misses Emma and Margaret Wilson.

The following actions of the Convention were confirmed; Adoption of the report of the Recording Secretary, Miss Wallace, omitting for future action a paragraph recommending change of the time of the annual convention; acceptance of the reports as follows: Statistical, Mrs. R. E. English; Treasurer, Mrs. J. B. Hill; Financial, Mrs. J. D. Sands; Parsonage, Mrs. W. P. Wiegering; Finances of the *Women's Missionary Magazine*, by its Treasurer, Mrs. Fannie F. Moore; report of the *Womens Missionary Magazine* by the editor, Mrs. John P. White; report of *Junior Missionary Magazine* by the editor, Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen; Finances of the same and The Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson Fund, by the Business Manager of the *Junior Missionary Magazine*, Mrs. W. R. McMunn; Foreign Department, read by Mrs. J. B. Hill, in the absence because of illness of its secretary, Mrs. H. C. Campbell; Home, Mrs. W. S. Cook; Freedmen, Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson; Isaiah 41:6 Fund, Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson; Work among American Indians, Mrs. J. French Kerr; Literature, Miss Elizabeth Milligan; Temperance and Reform, Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer; Young Women, Miss Ida B. Little; Junior Department, Mrs. W. R. McMunn; Thank-Offering, read by Mrs. Heagen in the absence through illness of the secretary, Mrs. O. H. Milligan; Annuities and Legacies, Mrs. J. B. Hill.

The report of the Committee on Recommendations as presented in Miss Robertson's report was adopted, also that of the Committee on Resolutions (See page 26).

The Committee on Place, Mrs. Mansfield of Detroit, chairman, reported an invitation from the Oak Park Church of Philadelphia for the 1929 convention.

The report was adopted and the invitation was accepted with thanks. The Corporation with pleasure ratified this action.

The Corporation then elected the Local Committee, nominated by Philadelphia Presbyterial, as follows: Mrs. George Patterson, 2110 N. Uber Street, Chairman; Mrs. James MacKenzie, 259 S. 45th Street, Recording Secretary; Mrs. W. D. Morrow, 5142 Knox St. Germantown, Treasurer; Mrs. Mary E. Getty, 585 Abbotsford Rd., Germantown; Miss

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The Committee on Credentials reported: Officers of the Convention registered, 5; Members of the Board of Directors, 12 (the treasurer having already been counted among the officers); Presbyterial delegates, 145; Representative of Women's Association, 1; Magazine Committee, 2; Foreign Missionaries, 34; Home Missionaries, 6; Life Members not included in above, 43; Total numbers entitled to vote, 248. (By vote of the Convention, on the first day, all missionaries, Home and Foreign, had been given the privilege of the floor and of voting.)

The Committee on Nominations through its chairman Mrs. Caroline Frick made its report. The election was then held and the following officers elected: Mrs. Hopping, president; Mrs. Earl Miller and Mrs. Copeland, first and second vice presidents respectively; Miss Robertson, secretary and the members of the Board and Magazine Committee.

The reports of the last three committees were accepted by the convention, which action was ratified by the corporation.

After this business of the Corporation was disposed of, on motion of Mrs. Campbell a committee was appointed to send a letter to Dr. W. B. Anderson in the bereavement which he had just suffered in the loss of his beloved wife. On this committee Mrs. Sands appointed Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. W. R. Wilson and Mrs. Hill.

The meeting then had the pleasure of a word of greeting from each of the missionaries present, who were introduced by Mrs. Sands; Miss Frances Dawson, of the Cairo Girls' College, the Misses Emma and Margaret Wilson, of Shelton, Tennessee, and Miss Theresa Lippert, of San Francisco.

After prayer by Mrs. Campbell, the meeting adjourned.

Jennie B. Wallace,
Recording Secretary.

THE NEXT THING

There are appointed times and seasons. Just now we face a Presidential election. It is a crucial time in the life of our nation. It is well known that one of the candidates has declared that he feels it his *duty* if elected to make "fundamental changes in the present provision for national Prohibition * * * * which is entirely unsatisfactory to the great mass of our people."

No need for further argument, there is a determined effort to break down this Amendment to the Constitution.

Let us awake to this danger. Send to Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer, 904 Publication Building for free temperance literature, scatter it broadcast. Let us talk and pray and work and *vote* to preserve the sanctity of our Constitution. — Editor.

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A Little Time Apart

An English teacher dedicated a poem to a graduating class, the title and the lines of which have been forgotten, but the remembrance of one line lingers, "Deep in the ocean the pearl fields lie."

There is no comparison so often used of life as the comparison to the sea, and as one travels over it for days, one realizes that it is indeed a true comparison. The changing moods of the sea, when

"It plays with the clouds,
It mocks the skies,
Or like a cradled creature lies;"

its mystery, its restlessness, its alternating calm and confusion, its kindness and its cruelty are the characteristics of life, as well.

As the sea hides its treasures so the best things of life, the deeper experiences of the spirit must be sought for. The diver leaves the surface of an ocean that is wave-tossed, the wind shrieking over it in fury, and descends to depths of calm and quiet, there to gather a rich harvest and make it his. So is "an hour apart" a hidden treasure field where pearls of prayer are to be found by one who will leave the surface duties and distractions of a restless life, the tumult of crowded streets, the tossing waves of worry and temptation to find alone or with kindred spirits a secret place.

To such a one comes the promise, "He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty."

Who in looking back over life, regrets its depths—where in deep emotion the soul realized its bitter need and helplessness, and found comfort and peace in the prayer:

"From the depths do I invoke Thee,
Lord, to me incline Thine ear,
To my voice be Thou attentive,
And my supplication hear."

Tuesday, 10 a. m. has been "an hour apart" over eleven years for many of our women; will you not keep it, too, and in an ocean of His love and presence find some pearls?

—Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer, Pittsburgh, Pa.

MR. AND MRS. FAZL ILAHI AND FAMILY OF JHELUM, INDIA

Mr. Ilahi was elected moderator of the Synod of the Punjab. Mrs. Ilahi is a well-known physician on whom the Government has bestowed the Kaiser-i-Hind medal. Mr. Ilahi is headmaster of the Boys' School in Jhelum.

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